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Dear rhoda i receivied a letter from you and maryam today and am glad to know that you air well that monney you sent me will come very handy as i am out of paper and envelopes though there is plenty here to give away but i had rather bui them then to ask for them i think that i will get my pay before long do as you pleace about hens but i think is more then you need

i am now wateing on 12 rebbles wounded mocely fro South Caralina there is a grate many rebbels here and their a good deal more trubble then our men for they air afeard that we will not use them well and they do not like their food and they find fault with every thing they see or here though they air not all so some have told me that they air treated better here then they ever was in their own army

J D Quilliam

(The following was on the same paper as the above)

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Dear father and mother i recived yours of the 9 yesterday and a nother to day contaning apice of paper and 12 stamps it truly is a great mercy that i have been spared but should i be called to dy in defince of liberty truth and Justes my life would not be spint in vain if i understand your letter you object is to perswaid me that a soldier cannot be saved but you must first show me that it is rong to have any goverment for if it is write to have any goverment it must be rite to sustain it and in this case that cannot be dun without war i should like to know if daba and johnaton did not go to heven the same as all sinners they believed in as avlour to come and we believe in a saviour that hath come which is only a diferance in time not in fath.

pleace write soon

J D Quilliam

Rhoda the will not take your doller to the post office if i cant pas it i shall send it back there is nothing like gren backs