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Dear Mother

i recived youre kind letter a few days A go I Was glad to Hear From you and hear That you Was Well Mother i am Well at present and hope these few lines Will find you the same Mother We have Marched back From fredericks Burge a Bout ten Miles We have got a Nice place to camp We are in the Wods Where We Can get a plenty of Wood to Burn and Build tents With and a Nice Stream of Water the Moast of the Water is poor in this Cuntry i Should like to Be Where i Could get a Drink out of My Cold Spring Mother I dont know How long We Shall Stay here We May Stay hear till Spring and We May Not Stay three days When We get orders to March We Shall have to go Mother you didnt Write for Eny Money i Wrote to you and toled you if you Wanted eny Money you Must Write Mother We have drawn a little of oure Money i drew twenty one dollars and twenty Cents they paid us up to the 31 of October they paid Me one Munts pay in advance When We Was in Jamestown Mother the Next time they pay the Soldiers they Will pay them all a like Some of the Boys didnt draw only fifty dollars and i drew Ninety dollars Mother old uncle Sam Oes Me three Munts pay I think he is gitting poor for he Cant pay off the Soldiers Mother i Guess that the Next time they pay us they Will pay all that is behind Mother i Sent fourteen dollars to uncle Nathan Wilber i Mean a Check that he Can draw fourteen dollars With it Mother I Want you to tell uncle Nathan to let you Have Six 6 Dollars in Money and you Can bye you a New dress or What you are a Mine to With it Mother if you Want Eny thing you Must Write and let Me Know Mother i wrote to uncle Nathan that i Would take that heifer i give him 16 dollars for her and he is to Winter her for Me Mother i Want you to Keep a Count of the Money that uncle Nathan pais out for Me and it Will be all Strait When i get home Mother you Must Write as Soon as you get this dont you Wait as long as you did before tell grand Mother that i send My respects to her and all the rest

Oscar Wilber

Write Son Good Bye