

Well you will be as
soon as you get this
letter as I have
you out the children
I want

I want the same

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Dear wife
I have taken my pen in
hand to write to you to
let you know that I am well
and hope Miss will find
you enjoying the same
blessing I am still
with the team we have
a pretty hard time now
the road is so deep that
we can hardly get around
Hellen you see that
you cannot yet expect
from me in regard to
often as I can now
be on the tramp
of the time in our
I don't think one thing
if you but that is all

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so then is not a boy that
 is don't think of you and
 the children and i hope
 sometime to be at home
 with you. Keller is
 coming to see you and
 check papers we got
 our pay for ourst. as the
 pay the day i got pay
 i did not get so much
 as george. let pass it
 not what as soon as he
 sit. but if i cannot get
 my pay so that i can
 report any family here
 i shall go where i can
 you must keep up your
 courage and so as well as
 you can i can write
 so as soon as you
 happen this time
 your husband is sick

Be you must be a
 good boy and take care
 your mother and she
 and later you must
 be a good girl and
 Pa will be at home
 some time to look
 care of you and the
 baby

This is from
 your father

Keller you must be
 sure and spell your name
 when you sign the check
 the same as it is on
 the face of the check
 or you will spoil it
 for the name is spelled
 wrong

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