Camp Mangum near Raleigh N.C.

Dear Sisters,

I this rainy evening set my self to let you know that I am stil in the field and trying to do the best that I can as fair as will ling is concernend I think that I get along donet as well as any of the boys I havent any use of interest to write orkey I am well my self I have not heard from Win since Tuesday but I hear this morning there is scare of the boys sick yet some with meels and some with one thing and some with another it is meels for me to under take to notiv them Holmeat ran some came sunday last the boys that are may be order to virginia I think they are looking for a hat.
Time before leaving I should beg you to come home before we leave here, but I have no idea of getting to come. I wrote the captain of a frigate on this morning, he was willing to do his part, but he said the colonel would no sooner.

Friday morning I received a letter from Sarah. She said the lady was very sick, that was what I wanted to go home for. I receive a first and Sarah letter both are so the news glad to hear that you are all well. I heard word that the sick is on the sick list. There is only 1 on the sick list this morning. Another I want to hear how you are getting along. I want to know the weather to write you. I want to send one of the clothes home but I am afraid to send it.

I don’t mean to leave them for sure. I think I can’t leave them.
one piece slips and I want possible clo"e

clothes in asked and send
to get her another. I send you along
take I don't it from has. I will succeed
sell them alone as fast as he consider it
them out at to after he prints them
This will I want to know how bad and
and my wheat is getting along with
my wheat make any thing I want. I will
get to stay at home and save all the rest
you can save my love to all my younger
friends and write some you are all
the most important at present. I'll
remains your brother greatly
Yours E. Blandley
To all Blandley
August 14, 1862.

Dear brothers & sisters, myself to write you a few lines to let you know that we are all well this time except Mary. She is a little ill in the gatens this week, she is better this morning than she was yesterday. The neighbors is uneasy well as far as I know of no news of interest to write of. I was at Rockspring Monday at the camp meeting it looked like a fore coming meeting. No I've to there was a man killed there. He got kicked by a horse on Saturday, and died Sunday morning about 2 o'clock. His name was Jesse Crawford. I received letter yesterday from myerson by Mr. Christy. Earl the letter contained $10. or sent by mail. The letter informed us that gold was sold in Beth. whom I was not very well which I was. Where the hope before this time ago are well and partly. Cleary and the children is well and partly. Sad is well and the baby good deal better than it has him. She can still very little once and d while the conscience is to lodge eat over to day. I forget to tell you that Mr. Clark request me to write to you at all and let you know that if I had received the money I had sent by him he would not have anything for his trouble is going round and handing the money over is supposed or that the campanions...
we have had some very hot dry weather the last six or 8 days. This morning is not so well I believe I have nothing to write at this time only raining your brother until done.

S. A. Beckley

to S. M. and Abn. S. Beckley

Richmond
Virginia
November 9th

C. H. Wool
Company of 12th Regiment
Geo. W. Westley

Nov 10th 1849

James C. M. Blackey
Company of 12th Regt.
N. C. M. Blackey
Petersburg, Va. June 9th,

Dear Father and another Brother and sisters I drop you a few lines to let you know that we are still in the land among the leading men as well as we have been before and hope these lines may find you all well and doing well in some of interest to write I will tell you that E. B. Stiles was here to see us he came here Saturday and left this morning Helen Smith was here we have been several Catawbaians from different companies so if you think on Thursday some lines was brought to the hospital in Peters' City Saturday sick on Saturday evening the doctors was called and one boys fell into line and was ordered to go to Fort 9 miles from here the men the men 5 miles and then more and now back to camp.
and was on the town the 1st day in June
I have a yard and did not have to
The trip Petersleigh, Buffalo
considerable place of about
20,000 inhabitants and over
race of these negroes I mean
the number of men killed
wounded in the fight at Richmon
yesterday at Sunday a week
ago I suppose you have heard that
Alfred Gourance was killed then.
James Malone of James, Albema
Alfred baile Isaac Finch Kohl.
Johnson and various others were
killed and many wounded properly
at his own address Petersleigh near
Camp Dist. 47, Capt. 1st. C. Troops
This I am J. M. Blackley
Mr. G. Stagg,

April 7th, 1863, Rowan, 60 W., S.C.

Dear Aunt

I seat myself

This morning to let you know that I am no better but the rest is all tolerable well at present and only hope when thin news comes to hand they will find you all well I am knotable to come up to day mail says many she will come up to morrow if nothing happen I haven’t heard from John yet nor will tell William since you went here. This is no Seying

I don’t feel in the writing sense so I will bring my

Sincerely etc.

[Signature]

[Inscribed on the back]
Sept 13 - 1863

L. A. B.

Remembered,

Cousin;

To this pleasant afternoon I have a position for the purpose of inquiring after a few letters for which I hope you will not consider me importunate.

Several months have elapsed since last we met and many events have followed, since. We have become known to the public and we have encountered dangers and difficulties, not being sustained by the kindly hand of providence have survived them all and to-day find myself enjoying reasonable health. I have a plan of interest to communicate to you, is not one of fruit; some talk of us going to Texas. I know nothing further of the battle except that at Missionary Ridge and Lookout Mountain.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Charleston was still holding out and I think perhaps will be tough enough for the north yet. Not much prospect of a battle here now. It seems from what I hear that some of the people at home have almost given up all success in this war but it does not seem reason for it while the army is so strong. This time we have not had some defeat this summer and fall but we may not expect to be successful in every attack or campaign but out of this I must expect some defeats and have we not had among more success than the Yankees have and because they have had a few of late is no reason that we should be taken to despair. I am much on that subject. I wish to suppose you were at all the camp meetings and enjoyable times that did you not. I do not care much to be there with you all. To have realized with a share of the enjoyment of others besides myself. I am at a camp meeting you know"
every day but not such as at Bookspring
got. We have some of those
little faces to grace our camp and not-
withstanding we have preaching daily and
meetings mightly yet it seems to have not
much good effect and I think one reason
is we have none of those soft, sweet, and
melodious voices to mingle with us, yes
a lack of the softening influence of those
fair ones (the females) but pardon the notion
for expression for when I get to thinking
on these things I am almost carried away
with the thoughts. For want of space I must
close by resigning a hearty reply.
My regards to Charity and Anna and so;
where is old Elson. Tell Mary how she
does and should like to hear from here.
So hoping soon to hear from you and that
gone future life may be one of happiness,
purity and fidelity & close. Believe me
yours etc.,
[Signature]

E. O. Stiles
Dear Cousin,

I take the present opportunity to let you know that we are all well, hoping these few lines may find you enjoying the same.

I have nothing to you of that will interest you. I received a letter from you some time since which I was glad to see and hear that you were as also glad that you had not forgotten me; glad to think that only had come in.

After all, the rest, had time for I remember that they that came in at the close hour received the same as.

Those which had borne the
heat and beauty of the day. So the last shall be first
and the first last for many are saved but few to cho\n
gleat you said you was of big
 Also glad to him at the camps\nto enjoy the meeting
shoosh him glad you could
en him there we had a
meeting at Zales creek.

as for Boespring I was not
there you said your m
Dio not how much affect for
want of the seafood etc
Sorry to hear that to him.
I hope the time is not for
distant when you can
come home and see your
tilliefaces again. I must
close more.
S. M. Bleckley
Wilton, N.C.

Jan 3rd, 1863

Dear brother, I write you a few lines in answer to your a few weeks well come letter which I need the other day to also to give you my unaltering an answer. Thank's rather to you from The State of the Union you sent me as it came in answering your time as all such do. I have no means to write which could be interesting to you. I am tolerably well at this time. REMAIN your son affectionately
to, Nathaniel Ann Blockley
Camp near Weldon, Va.
Jan 3rd 1864.

Dear Father, I 답 do you answer lines in answer to your letter which I rec'd the other day I was glad to hear from you and hear that you was all well though I had come to the conclusion that you all had some fall and am surprised me as I had made a letter from you in so long time. I determined to write no more until I rec'd a letter. I have no news of interest to write you at this time now as I remain your son

Thos. C. Bleckley, Jr.

To Charles Bleckley
November 23rd, 1863

Dear Father and Mother,

I thought to write you after receiving your letter in answer to yours of 1874, just which I sent on Wednesday night last, and was glad to hear that you were all well. I have no news to report again. That could interest you no more. I shall be at or near Kinston, N.C. I cannot tell how long I will remain here. I am glad to hear that Mr. Pemberton was elected. I wanted London shipped here. This letter of falls...
Ellother your sake I must not forget your I never expect to forget you as long as I remember any one. I will remember the many favours I have got at your hand and yours regents to all my friends if and some one at present I remain as ever your affectionate son

Wm. L. Bleckley

P. S. Letter mental to know how I was getting along about my eating matters, we yet plenty of beef and corn and not Siff and some Potatoes and good things to eat.
OCT 29TH 1869

Dear Mother, I delay your
a few lines in order to let
you know that I am well
at present, hoping that
these few reach you in
two seasons and find you
all well. I have no news
of interest to write that
would interest you, and
therefore I will say a few
words about myself to say
me as usual within a mile
as usual of Walden, and
about the same distance
from our old camp and
not knowing how we will
stay here.
I will tell you something about the election we have just held. I am an election in our Regt. and have for many years been in Congress in one capacity or another. The Gentle B. notes the seat for Monday 27th, for Gentleman's majority 138. In the seven counties which belong to the 3rd Congressional Dist. I am in favor of Rappy, and hope he will be elected. I will send you a speech of each eclipse if you have not yet seen you can judge for yourself. I remain your same Resp't.

Wm. F. Bickley
March 13th, 1864

Dear Mr. Walton:

I trust you after this to answer to yours of 4th Inst. which I received while we were on our march which I was very glad to hear from you that you were well on our march better than you had been through thus to hear you are well and sick but I hope that these few lines may reach you in due season and find you all well. I hope nothing to unite you only till we have been on along the lines on march to the eastern part of this state and we have been out 18 days we left camp on 24th October and returned yesterday which was 12th last and we rejoice to say实现了 on 1st. Part of the canal, 9 miles from deep creek to 7 miles from Norfolk 63 miles from South will we arrived I am not engaged on any branch line of line blockaded the roads in retreating.
we then found the camp but was
and now to Suffolk 2d. On Monday
day 9th, 1st we entered upon the
neighborhood in the Town of Suffolk
were killed about 30 negroes and cap-
tured 5000 negroes. Some men and
other clothing and allow thick our
loss was two men killed and about
other wounded. The two men killed
was shot from an house by negroes
while our men was engage in
forcing the house and setting the
negroes therein we retreat to
Suffolk on Thursday last and
came to camp yesterday we had
to allench many after a night
as well as fear but enough of this
I have not for gotten you yet now
never expect to you see you very
seen Amelia and the children since
christmas. I think it appor some app
that you cannot see them after
some time your Son affectionately
William, Buckleup, To, mother
Camp near Harrodsville, Va.
April 11th, 1864.

Dear Father and Mother,

I trust you received these lines in answer to yours of the 1st. I am in fine health and was glad to hear from you, and that you are all as well as you are. I am very much obliged to you for your act of kindness in sending me the box of provisions. Though I have not used it yet, I think I will get it to-morrow in consequence of our having left and gone on our own accord. We are all well, and I came over to this place the Bay's had to leave the Baccus at all because they were sent on to Boykins Station on the train and there were two wagons sent back for them, but could not bring all, so they have sent again for the balance.

I have no news of interest to write at this time.

Yours ever,

[Signature]
I don't know how long I will remain here, so I will close by saying write soon direct to Weldon, N.C., as before, and Regards to all my friends if any. I remain as ever yours.

Mrs. G. Bleckley
near Kernsbridge, Va.  
July 17th 1864

Dear Mother, I write you after lines in answer to yours of 23 June which I read Tuesday last. I was glad to hear from you but sorry to hear you are not well. I hope this may find you well as you complained of not writing to your I think I will not write to your if you are not well. I have just received a letter from you and until the one I just mentioned you said you want me to tell you all about where we are and what we have been doing. That is about the only thing I can do as time and space will not permit me to do as I have done and complain to you of have you through conflict many times I have many one to pass through.
October 29th 1874

Dear Brother & Sisters,

I want you all to write to me soon. I am well & your love is very dear to me. I am at present in the town & am busy doing business. Since my last letter I have been quite busy & have been out of town. I think I am just in time to write to you. If you write soon I shall hear from you. I have some news that I want to tell you. I am looking forward to hearing from you soon. I will try to write & hope that you will write to me soon. I am in good health & hope you are too. I am still in the town & am busy doing business. I think I am just in time to write to you. If you write soon I shall hear from you. I have been quite busy & have been out of town. I think I am just in time to write to you. If you write soon I shall hear from you. I am in good health & hope you are too. I am still in the town & am busy doing business.
November Campstokes near Greensborough

To my father and mother and sisters,

I take this morning to pen to you a few lines to let you know that I am as well as come as I have been very bad off with hernia sine I have been here and it pangs me very much this morning tho it is a great deal better than it has bin I did not get discharged before the lord they sent me over to let duty as camp guard I do not know what they will do with me what they keep here or not I have good scraps more & Balberson the soap man let Carrell to keep me steady before I came from my old comrade from Rockingham county so that when they have not knew what they will do with them all the balance of the men that come with us has bin died over
I received your letter of the 7th yesterday morning, and was glad to hear that you were well and getting along so well with your work. I also received a letter from R to Booles. They were as well as common. You wanted to know whether I had sent the seeds to Mr. M. If I had not sent them, yet I was glad to hear they were on the road. There is men going to Richmond every few days from here to take prisoners but no one that I could send them with as they would have the chance to take them to him. I have just bought 6 apples for such. I have been on the guard 2 nights and nights since I have been here. The balance of the time I have been laying about doing nothing but eating we have plenty of beef and bread we have both flour and corn bread we eat, but twice a day there is not many coming in now.
to go before the Lord I don't think there will many more here to be examined we get but little more here the cares run off Tuesday between greensborough and Danvil and killed and wounded 15 or 20 men if the paper at home thinks they want such a mechanic as I am for the neighborhood if they will get up a partition there it is necessary to have such a mechanic at home as I am and get some ten or 12 runners or as many as they can and have them sewn and get the county county real to to it and get the enrolling officer to rule it and send it to benry homes at raleigh they may get me off if they don't want in that way tell Robert Smith to get me detailed if he can if C S Conner is not going to do
nothing at his farm tho I had much rather have the privilege of farming if I could get it as I think it a greater need more needed it may be that I might bed more home after awhile but it is very uncertain I think it you would require hoope and tell him what I can do that he would try to get off the yoke can do just as you pleased about it I believe I close for this time. So now but remain your son and bother untill giv my regards to all engaing friends if any may the blessings of god rest upon us all is my prayer of your son and bother.

Just Bleckley to all
Campsites No. 6

December 24th, 1864

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bakers and sisters,

I take the present opportunity to write you a few lines in answer to yours of the 7th received this morning, and was glad to hear from you all and to hear you were all well. I wrote to you that my application was to have come the next day that is the 9th of Nov. you need not send the other one yet until you hear from this one. If this does not do we will have to try again. I reckon I have been here 3 weeks and have not bin with sets to the governor but an expense to it. I have bin on guard some times what do the people at home.
Think of such business as this so enough on that you said you had not heard from me for since he went to his 60 neither has the 6 sent his socks to him some time ago. By sq thomas gilbain as he was going to that co there is some going home on furlough of 10 days but i had put the for one yet a while it seems to me would fail expect i would like to know how many bags of corn i had in the that is sent and all to gather now you got my trip yet i have my mess to wait at this time this leaves me well so one more but remains your son and brother until death.

A Blackley to all.
November 14, 1864

Camp, 2 miles from Strongsville.

Dear Brother and Sister:

Take the present opportunity to write you a few lines to let you know that I am in common health. This morning except my old complaint it has been very bad since I have been here the it does not seem to be much this morning as it has been in before the last week Monday. But have had no hearing yet. Sum of our squad is gone to Petersburg and some of them gone home to get horses to go to the cavalry. The balance of us is here yet, but we expect to be put on lot duty this. We don't know if we have done no duty since Sunday. I was called out yesterday morning to go on guard but was excused by the Or as also excused today.

There has been a good many men...
coming and being lined over
to regiment every day I had nothing
of interst to write to you we had every
fine squad it can't be beat I don't
think I see a good many of my friends
here we hear preaching in camp once in
a while but I've been in two times yet
no more but remaining
your brother I forgot to let
tell to write to me direct
to camp Stocks near greenbriar
No 6 may the blessings of god
rest upon us all is the praise of
your brother and may he at
last save in heaven
So no more at this time
To Mr. Bickley to
Rutt Cook and family
Camp St. Peter's Neck
Green Borough
Nov. 19th 1861

Dear Brother,

I pen you a line this morning in haste—I am tolerable well—I hope this may find you all well—

I have sent a petition by Mr. North as he leaves here this morning. If you or no one has not gotten up one
before for me—I want you to take this one to Capt. Bridges. I ask him to get signatures to it for me.
After I want you or someone to take it to Newton & have the County Seal to it. I will get the Enrolling Officer
to sign it & send it to General Homer at Raleigh. I think I can get home as a Farmer. But if Capt. Bridges Cannot do so for
me—I want you to get someone else as soon as you can— for the sooner

The better—I cannot write much now but I will in a few days. I hope—

Your Son. H. Blakely
NB. I would like if some of my friends would go before a Legis-
vate and make affidavits of the petition as it would be still stronger.
J. A. B.
Camp Toks No
November 17, 1864
Dear father and mother and sisters I drop you a few lines to let you know that I am as well as ever hoping these few lines may find you all in the enjoyment of the same feeling of how nothing of interest to write you & sent an application for a detail as farmer home by F.B. alternately a few days also get it first and sent on to Raleigh if you hear started it yet send it to camp Toks to major B. P. give same & want you to be as quick as you can about it as there is a chance to get a furlough on an application for a detail to do the best you can there is some of the cavalry men here that came
Here day before yesterday they will come here to mine & expect Sidney &likens and am gone is here & have no more to write at this time giving my respects to all my friends & any

So at Bleakley to the family.
In the 8th Corps U. S. Army, Petersburg, Va.
Nov 21st 1864

Dear Brother and College, I writing again lines in answer to yours of the 1st which I did not have time to write in answer there have been so much hurry to do and the weather has been so rainy since your answer has been sent that I have not had time to write you either.

I have no news of interest to write at present only to say that your letter was received last week and brought the news that you are much obliged to me for the letter you sent. I have not written so much as to let you know whether I received the letter you sent. I certainly wrote you that I met the President if you did not get it. George Brady will leave home about the 15th of December if he can he will bring me a letter if any one would take care to the depot for me I remain your friend.

A. L. Speight
Brazier

N. Y.
June 27th, 1864

Dear Sister, I hope you are well. In answer to yours of 14th last week I need no further news but do not ask very good reasons I was glad to receive a letter from you and to hear that you all was well. Tell Lucinda I would like to hear from her one time. I am sorry to have to say to you that my health is not very good yet I have had two or three chills. I had a pretty severe chill yesterday. I hope I will miss my chill to day though. I have the head ache many day. Brady will bring all the Bases that we can take to the station for here to be divided amongst. She made me one of Bases by her own Suggestion. I could not say that I was well but I don't know what is on the road but I don't know what is on the road but I don't know what I close your brother affectionately S.

S. T. SCHUCKS
November 29, 1864

Sir: I drop you a few lines to let know that my application is here. I wrote to you yesterday that it was not here but I got another drew up and took it up to the major's office and found it. Then the major said he did not think they would give me a detail but I think they will because they are trying to get light duty. I am going to volunteer in it but I don't think they are doing any over to it. The talk is here that Congress is working to send all the light duty men home but we can hear a great many
Things here that is not so but I am waiting with patience the result and hope for the letter if the wire does come if this fails I shall try something else I & she how to stop for & am on a long delay to day for the first time so no more at this time this loves one well

S to Blackley

To Brother and mother and sisters
Wm B till will be coming down that day and will attend to it at Greensborough if should not be there if you will ask that as he said here would bring any little thing I would send for I will be there the if I can yet the chance to go and I can't go I will try to get som one else to go by think I shall try for a while before a gate while if not hear from you detail 
so I believe I shall chose for them this leaves well and hungry

so no more but remaining your brother

J A Blackley

to all the family
Camp Stoks
Near Greasborough M't Decmbr 9th 1860

Dear father and mother and
sisters I take the present opertun
ity to drop you a line in
order to jagers of the of which I
received this morning and was
glad to hear from you all and
I repose you very well as you
said nothing about it to the
contrary it is raining and hilly
how to day and it was disagreea
ally I have not heard any thing of
my detail yet I am getting
very anxious to hear from it
There has bin some in one detail
burlet out sine dark last thing
So I have not entirely given out
yet you spoke of sending a box
next monady if you do I want
you to send me a littleselowel
To gree my shoes and I would
like have a little soap if you
have any hard soap
December 12th, 1864

dear father with my set to drop you a line to let you know that wear well at present an we hope your so too. I Wish life to me or how do you get along. Corn yet or no. If you have send me a few things and to me now an I will come out in a few days and see you no more at present.

Mr. A. C. To M. T.

Charles B. Clarks
We havent heard from the boys since before last week when we went back. We have heard from them no more at present.

Only remains ago broad to Mr. Charles Blockley.

Andy says body to grew.
Camp Stokes, Virginia
December 1, 1864

Dear father and mother and sisters,

I hear by the mail that an ice box is to be sent, and I wish to let you know that I received my box to-day. It is all right.

I came to get you, and was told that you were not here. I have been looking for you all day.

And I was glad to hear that you were all well and doing well. I have not heard anything from home since I got here. If you would like to hear from me, I will try to get home before long. But I think I will try to get home before long. But I think I will try.

There is some sickness in camp, but it is not very much. I don't think there is very much.
well if now minerals of interest to treaty to agree there is no one here that came with me they are all gone from her well & am still here doing best I can for my self or my country as soon see there is a good many prisoners here that is deserters and men that did not report here according to order & is ant til getting along and all the best of any what has become of Mr. Stiles is he gone out with the militia well I believe I have no more to write at this time only remains your son and brother until death thıs cause will as woman and hope it will find you all will

Settle.

Y. A. Blacker.
In the Emancipation of our Slaves March 7th
1864.

Respectful Greeting Mother and Sisters.

I write you these lines in answer to your request which you made in one
of your letters to write and let you know what was happening in your
house. I have been busy with work and have not had much of a chance
for writing. So I am not sure I have received the letter you sent me for I assumed you had not. I have been in good health for a long
time, I have not been able to write as much as I would like to. So I am
very pleased with the letter you sent me. You sent me the money I needed to buy the meat because I could not eat the meat we had
so I was able to do something except bread. I feel myself under great obligations to you for past favors and favors in time of need. I was very glad you sent me the money. I am glad I think it will be beneficial to my health.

Many years of pleasure and happiness to you and your family. I have
sent you one of the letters I got from you. I sent you another. In their answer they agreed but I suppose you had not gotten it when you wrote.
The books you sent, except the one brought, have not come here. I have heard no news of Mr. Brady. I understand he is at the junction. I have no news to write. I think my health is improving slowly.

As for Alice, I do not know what to do. I wish you would come up some time and have lunch with us. I remain your son and brother as usual.

[Signature]
Wilmington N.C.

Feb. 23rd, 1861.

Dear Father and Mother and sisters:

I set out myself this morning to say you a few lines to let you know that I had left camp at 9 o'clock, and landed at Wilmington on Wednesday night at 10 o'clock and are here. I do not know how long we will stay here. Mother does not know what they will do with us. I do not think we will have to stay here long. I have nothing of interest to write to you this morning. It would be interesting to you if I had not had the opportunity to see much about here yet. We have good quarters to stay in and the food is very good. We have corn bread and bacon and help to eat and not very good at that. I had some of the last meat for supper and it was too strong for me. I think I can.
come it if keep my health
which G day will try the
help of God be enabled to do
my duty both as a christian
as a soldier know not what
lies before me in this like the
G people will not have to stay
long that is unknown to me
it has bin very cold here since
we come here we had a very
rough time as we came on here
it was very rainy and sundry
so no more but remening your
sioned brother until death direct to N. W. M. C.
N. C. Sezar Ranks Battalion Co.
G in care of lieutenant colonel
this leaves me in concern health
so no more
G. A. Blackley to
S. M. Blackley
Near Petersburg, Va.

Jan 8th, 1865.

Respected Brother: I have you open lines in answer to yours of 15th Dec. which I feel in due time, but have neglected to answer it partly because I like health and partly because of the opportunity to write though I have nothing of interest to write, save still in the trenches and likely to remain here though I am in waiting for a short time from away from the city. I read all the news in a letter last night hearing date of Dec. 23d, they were all well then I have not heard from brother folks for some time. I have told you that Dr. H. Law, Buckley, are all well and is with us. I close write soon and give up the messip. May I remain as your Brother.

Mrs. G. Bledsoe.
I am going to send the following letter to my friend, John Smith.

Dear John,

I hope this letter finds you well. I have been thinking about you lately and wanted to write and check in. I am doing well and enjoying my time here. How are you doing?

I have been working on my garden and have been able to grow some delicious vegetables. I hope you have been able to do the same.

I am looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Best regards,

[Your Name]
January the 25th, 1865
Campstoke, near Greensboro,

My dear father and mother, and sisters, I take my pen in hand this morning to write you a few lines in answer to your letter of '65, which came to hand in due time. I was glad to hear from you all and to hear you were all well. I don't know that I have any thing to write to you that would interest you at this time. The there is a great deal of talk about peace the talk is that peace will be made in a short time. Some say tell the last of March, some say April but be that as it may I can't tell how it will be. The news is in papers that the war is at Richmond and Petersburg, heavy on both sides and too much is gone to Sherman's way to call an armistice of 90 days if that is done the division of the paper is there will be no more
Dear E. Smith,

I received your letter of 15th. I was very glad to hear from you and I hope you are in good health.

I have been in the city for the past few days. I start tomorrow for my new post. I will be in Washington the 20th. I have been here since the 1st of this month. I am to take charge of the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th of December. I am very anxious to get back to the city. I have been here for a few weeks and I hope to leave on the 20th.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Dear [Name],

I am happy to hear how well you are doing. Things here are at the same pace, but I have been feeling a bit down lately. I spend most of my time in the fields and the gardens, trying to keep up with the work. We have a steady stream of visitors who come to see the land and the people. It is a bit overwhelming sometimes.

I found a small patch of land that I am working on. It is not much, but it gives me a sense of control over my life. I have been experimenting with some new crops, and so far, they seem to be doing well. I thought you might be interested in seeing them.

I have been thinking a lot about our plans for the future. I am not sure what we will do once we are done with the farm. Perhaps we could move to the city and try something else. It is not ideal, but it might be necessary to keep up with the times.

I hope you are doing well. Please write soon and let me know how things are going with you. I miss you.

Yours truly,

[Name]
Campbell'surga lone

Saw another report myself that the

irregularities to be found in your
\line\

lives is now very surprising at the

three weeks' notice given in

some town and we are glad to have

aided you, well to bring to bear

influence there had had the largest

that was placed to work out the

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good as latter this morning.

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evening not in weeks received,

alter promised about 1: Blackley

last week dated the 20th January
he said his health was better
than it had been for the
last six months; well you said
you wanted to move who was
in my name and how of my
acquaintance in here prisoners
and hearing he asked for my
documents of Abraham Perkins,
Spencer, B. J. Pulham, and
Clement Jones. But it is
true it is in my name they
will all of their own consent of their
men many of them carousing
are all get along very well
there is says something in
wamp who is vis a vis a vis
and in half an hour. Due to the hot
night yesterday running once here
him and 3 before he was
shot to the homeward of
some people but remember
your son until death.

A. Blackley, Andy, Blackley
February 7, 1865

Dear Aunt & Seat my Sily to write you & few lines to let you know that we are all well except every bad cold we have between 6 and 8 hundred yankees and about 100 so Consara in a bout one mile of here they are except for the winter and they hav frinser let us out of house and home I want you to find out if Gersich has sent any butter
We have no negroes this year old man. Brigg's got trees and July. Both this year for $300 dollars.

To Mr. Stiles for one if nothing happen we will come up next Saturday and I await your to meet us at the depot if you can.

I have no more of interest to write at the present & will come for the night.

Selena C. Cobb
Mary C. Blackley

Dear Aunt, you need not to keep for me up any Sunday morning and it is for by and don't write for it is a ruling this morning and looks like it will rain all day tomorrow.
In the December moon Kentucky V 1863
Dec 13th 1863
Dear Mother, Father & Sisters. Drop a short line, so that you know that I am well, hoping these lines may reach you in time. I have just written a letter to say how well I have been, what I have been doing, and a few other things of interest. To write you more I have had some of the coldest weather on the road. I think as I have said a few times what I think last night was the coldest night we have had this winter, and yesterday the coldest day. Our warmest day has been the most uncomfortable. I suppose we will have to take this weather or we must move to warmer places. I hope all is well with you. I must be off as I have work to do. I will write you soon about our return. We are getting shorter and nearer home. I wish you all well at this time. Geo. B.
Tuesday evening I'll be back from
Davenport to discuss
your letter of 26th instant
between phase of music
your visit will go on to the 31st. I
may get if I have someone to
write you. See the Brother
as soon as possible.

Yours, T. B. P.

I think the meeting of the City
may well deserve it not getting the
subsidy which will be made
subsidy.
February 18, 1865

Camp Stokks near rear of No. 6

Dear father and mother and sisters,

I have the present opportunity to write you a few lines to let you know that we are in good health. Hoping these few lines may find you all well and doing well. I have nothing of interest to write you, but will say that I stay. If there be anything to do before the Lord but has not found out what they are going to do with him yet, I wish to go to the front. I have been in Jones also and James McCray and the Van Browns. They will go this evening. I expect they started quite today. I am doing well and could not get on the train. Yes, he said no, he got my wagon. Yes, he said it would also be like it is here. I want it but if reckon you had better keep it. If you need it, you can get some.
Now if you need my car you can wait awhile Mary will get here in the course of an hour or two but if you want it now it don't matter so please tell Eldric I don't wish to go and help her chop or not unless she can put it off awhile tell I get through with the threshing business but I was told when that will be but I think before very long I will go to S & C Bledsoy is received her letter and was glad to hear that her and Dora was well and had bin over since I saw them I wrote her no letter some two months ago and wrote me another last week but I suppose I have received neither of them. I would like very much to get home while you and do it is there to see yo but if not it will be glad to brother some more by yours truly your son

J. A. Bledsoy
January 13th 1863
Camp Stockton near greencove

Dear father and mother and sisters,

I take the present opportunity to write you a few lines to let you know I am still in the land among and in the enjoyment of a reasonable portion of health and strength both of body and mind. Hoping these lines may find you all in the enjoyment of the same blessing.

I don't know that I have any thing to write to you that would be interesting to you in any way the way we have had much of noise in camp but we don't believe but little of any of it there is been sickness in camp and one wounded man we have to guard & sepulchre he was wounded by the home guard he was laying & sepulchre there is but few prisoners here now we still have cold enough weather there is some talk that the carpet is to go to charlot I don't know whether it will or
nor do I wish to write by who.

I have had no word from B. it

books since the 5th of January

I think it was a letter since they

have got to be gone over and

grandma. Thee aren't cares

for my body. Kele has had no

word from AS. So since you wrote

May he said he was well and his

heath was better than it had him

for the last six month. I have not

received any more from any last letter

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not got no answer the it has hardly

had time yet no spoke of sending

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has for some time I believe too
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nothing more so no more but

remains yours Son and Brother

S. A. Buckles to Mr. Buckles
February the 29th 1865
Campstoke, Margaretsboro No. 6

Dear father and mother and sisters,

I sat myself this morning to drop a few lines in answer to yours of the 19 inst which came to hand in due time. I was glad to hear from you all and to hear you was all well and also to return thanks to you for the box of provisions you sent me. I received Monday, it was all right for long did not get here Saturday in time to get it. I that evening Rob did not get it till Monday morning. I have nothing of interest to write to you that would be interesting to go there is Sam talk that this camp will be broke up. I do not know where they will send us to but I suppose they will send us to either to Petersburg or some where else. I can’t tell where neither do I care much where they cant send me as they will not let me go home but I still hope it will not be long.Tell me we will all get home
Dear Mr. Baskley

I was not at all well myself today, so I cannot let you know how Sherman is progressing. It seems that he is approximately 15 miles away from Charlotte by the time he will have to pay off. His post office has to meet him and then whatever will become of him.

I was not sure what they were going to do with him. He is weak and has nothing to do but cook and eat.

M. Brown has gone to the hospital. Since he came back, I suppose the doctor has taken him. There is no one to attend to his leg. I forgot to tell you.

I sent the $20 dollars I brought to pay for changing cars and to get it put in the depot here. If you can let me know how it went, I would appreciate it.

I hope you are well and that your son and brother, J. B. Baskley, is well.

With best wishes,

[Signature]
in the ditch near Petersburg.

Feb. 24th 1865

Respectfully,

To the President and sisters,

I beg you to forgive me for not writing to let you know that I am well. In these times many men have come here and find the weather severe and many sick. One day you will walk in a warm room. It shall have to be money enough. Because I have been without letters from home. I have been thinking that Jones came to our company and married an Evening. They say I hit as the man on he was. Sometimes it is well with others. Sometimes it is not. In the present time, some are not. Others

Respect,

W. L. Blackley
March the 5th 1865,
Campbeltown near Greensboro, N.C.

Dear sister, I sent myself to drop you a few lines in answer to yours of the 22nd which I received March the 21st and was glad to hear from you all and to hear you were all well and to get up know sam well hoping these few lines may find you all well and doing well & have nothing of interest to write you at this time we hav a great deal of wet weather and a lot of

Nurs of one sort or other but I can't under take tell it grown poor has plenty of the same sort of & under stand they are running away from Petersburg from top to three hundred a night of the 12th & I think the war will end before very long & can't tell when I will get to go home as they have quit for living if they had kept on I would have got home about the last of this month it may be that some
get home about that time or a little after but be that as it may you will have to do the best you can for yourself. Has Bob your cousin write him if he has you will have to not feed him so high well I can tell you I have just finished mending my pants it is got it done pretty quick considering there is so much talk of the camp being broke up if that is done I can't tell what they will do with me if how me wired from Chicago for sometime and as for books I had not a letter from them in a month so I have wrote them a or since they received any from them I don't know whether they ever got them or not. So more but remains your hon and brother
to S. O. B. Becker
Camp Bannerman Bty 934
March 18th 1864
Respectfully, Petruza and Sisters,
I was at the regiment of the 21st Feb. on the 5th March I
was last Sunday night that was and
marching end, but didn't mean
until Wednesday night we left
the pitched and landed at.
That night in Thursday morning
came into camp on our side and
the right of the wagon. as well
for it but I have not got two
bales until yesterday evening to
some of my regiment to the positions
of the reconnoiters. took out
some of our things with some
bales yesterday I have about 24
spaining I was glad to hear that
your all was well I also was
very much obliged to you
for sending us the 
the Army. I am very glad to be
informed of which I held myself
last the first that of course and
the 24th and 25th of April.
I have no news of interest to inform you of at this time. I have not been from home for some time and can tell you for myself that I am not very well. I have many troubles and have been up in the mountains recently. I will write for want of something to write. Remain as ever your brother.

Mrs. L. Blackley

P.S. address as before.
March the 13th 1865
Camp Stokess near Greenlore Mo

Dear father and mother and sisters I seat
my self this morning to write ye a
few to let ye know that I am still in
the land among the living and in
common health hoping these few lines
may find ye all well and doing well
I just got back from Richmond yesterday
afternoon I started last Wednesday evening
with prisoners we had to stay two days
and nights in Richmond the cars being
to cary solgers to lynchburg and when
we did come we had to ride on top of the
cars I saw if I bolly there on his way
home he was not well but could go out
of staid with one day pretty much all
day he left the next morning so I gess
he is at home before now he was on
parole and had a furlough for 90 days
I received a leten from Mr. S yesterday
afternoon dated the 7 and 9 of this inst
he said he was well but had got one
leten from yo since the 1st and none
from olary since the 1st so he need one
from Rott books of the 11 of tel he well
as for my part I havent received a letter from books since the 5 of January I wrote some 2 or 3 line I have got any from them I havent received any from my since the 25 of February I have no news of interest to write that is reliable that I know of the report was yesterday the yankees had taken goldstone but I dont whether it is so or not the men in Richmond sais the soldiers families is perishing to death for something to eat and to wear and god only knows how soon it may the case with many others they say they never seen the time now that they couldnt get alit of cake lead to eat but havent had any for 3 months so I think they are as tired of the war as I am or at least some of them is they never was yesterday that there was a big fight expected to come off at Petersburg so I believe they nothing to write ate this time and so no more but remain your son brother S A Bleckley to oldy Bleckley
March 26, 1867

Dear father and mother and sisters,

I sat myself this liberal Sabbath, learning to drop ya few lines to let ya know that I am well and happy at this time hoping these few lines may find ya all in the enjoyment of the same blessing. I can say to ya that I hav nothing of interest to write to ya at this time. I received your letter of the 5 of March a few days ago it went to Petersburg and brought one from Mr. M. Bickley dated March the 7th. He was well he said he had a very bad cold ecosly he was not very stout he said the book ya had sent him had not come to hand nor the one that olyrent nither he did not know whether they had come to the depot the nite before not he said they were under marching orders then it was said they were going some twelve miles to the right but he could not tell when or they would go but would leave there shortly he replied he said that a great many of his acquaintane was gone.
money of child and lifted his land note and wanted to know if yo and Sueinda hadn’t better pay her I think had if can but where will yo get money has yo got it or can yo spare anything to get it malay yo had better let it be a while I may get home in the course of a month if nothing happens but if yo have the money yo can pay her as soon as yo please if she will take the money yo said yo wanted me to send yo som pens I haven’t any more but I will try to get som and send to yo you wanted to know how my shoes and socks was holding out they are getting pretty well worn but I reckon yo need not send me any just now I had clother to mend my shoes with if yo can get them mended yo also wanted know how my money was holding out I have 51 dollars and 20 cts I understand there was a fight at Petersburg yesterday but didn’t learn the perpetrators about too no more only remains your son and brother

S. A. Bleckley to S. L. Bleckley
To my dearest Son,

I am not sure when I will write to you again, but I trust you will not be long.

The last I heard from you was that you had no word from your father since the 1st of March. He was not very well then, but he said they were under marching orders but did not know when or where the word would go. I understand that a ransoms brigade was in sight the 2nd of March, but I have not heard the particulars about the killed and wounded. I would like to hear from you again, which I think I will in a few days if there is nothing wrong with you.

So curious, Dad later paid all the money that my father had to her. I think he had better do so if it can be done. As soon as you can, if she will take the money and send it to her from Cook's yesterday, they were all well except for a little cold he was not very well. He said the first thing when he got home, he would put him up in the next time he went off and stayed a while. I come home and wrote to him, and he said to write when you are. I put him to washing his pans so no more but remaining, your son and father affectionately,

A. Blackley to Charles Blackley.
Camp near Greensboro N.C. April 2, 1865

Dear father and mother and sisters,

Seated myself this Sabbath morning to write you a few lines to let you know that I am still in the land among the living and in the enjoyment of a reasonable portion of health and strength of body and mind hoping these few lines may find you all enjoying the same. I read your letter of the 5th of March and was glad to hear from you and to hear you was all well. I have nothing that would be interesting to you to write to at this time from all that I can find out about the armies on both sides, it seems to me that the war can't last very long at least I hope so I understand the Yankees is somewhere near Salisbury and Albemarle before Raleigh so we are between the two armies I think that one or the other of the armies intend to come to Greensboro but I don't want to be here when they come but I see one chance to get away from here with running away and I don't like that job much better than meeting the Yankees.
Understand that Johnson is gone to reenforce Lee and left the way open below for Sherman to go where he pleased. The last account Sherman he was lying still at gareshore, wrestling with clothing men before he will make a move in that direction before long. There is a good many troops about Greensboro the first of this month throwing up breastworks, but they are gone to some other points I know not where. As for Stoneman I don't here anything about where he is or what he is doing. It is reported he is gone on to form a junction with Grant so I will stop that part of the subject for this time. I have not heard from you since your last letter. Read alerter from them the rest of march they was all well then you wrote them one line but have got no answer yet. How are you getting along with your work, have you got any corn planted yet? Has Bob got over his last he got by throwing many yet. So close to no more but remains your son & sister.
Camp Stokes near Petersburg
April 7th, 1865 No. 6

Dear father and mother and sisters,
I seat myself this blessed Sabbath morning to write ye a few lines to let ye know that I am still in the land among the living and enjoying air snable portion of health and strength both of body and mind hoping these few lines may reach ye in due time and find ye all enjoying the same blessing I received you letter of the 3 inst in due time and was glad to hear from ye all and to hear ye was all well I had had no word from Manty mine the 2 of March I should like very much to hear from him understand his Brig had was in a very hard pite last sunday and that evening Richmond & Peters burg fell and the last account of Lee he had fell back som 50 miles this side and Grant had him rerounded except one little gap on the rite or rather to wards Peters burg Grant has cut the railro and cut off replies from Lee this war the nears yesterday earnings but I cant tell how true it is the report her is Lee lost 50,000 men in the movem
Wednesday 6th 1869

Dear Father,

I write you a few lines to inform you that I will be at Estacada Station one next Monday evening and want you to send for me then. I would come down this week but I will try to move tomorrow and want to go with him and stay a few days it will be less trouble than to come alone and then go down

Yours truly,

S. E. Bleakley
April the 1890

Dear Mr. Lawrence and Mr. I take the
opportunity of dropping you a few lines
To let you now that I have had
some delightful thoughts about you of
love and marriage as sure as the vine grows
round the stump you are my darling
sugar lump That is plenty of boys
That is true about there is none that
boasts my eye like you it is sweet
to love true love It is to
love and then not get
him meeting gives me pleasure
parting gives me pain well bleakley
yours truly your affectionate friend
Boone N.C.,
August 10th 1881
Mr. T. A. Bleckley
Dare Sir
in close, you find Ten
Dollars I pay you more
Some as I can
Yours Truly
M. T. Wilkinson