Aug. 3rd 1862
Camp of the 7th Regt. V. C. M. 2 Miles South of Gordonsville Va.

Dear Wife as my warmest love to you & family I will write you a few lines in answer to your kind letter. I am well at this time hoping this may find you well. The company is generally well. I am very thankful to inform you that I came through the Battle safe for a body save only the loss of your Brother. Only I came part of the picket to our camp and in the night we were ordered to march to Richmond & took the car & arrived at Gordonsville just this morning. I came out to where we are now but do not expect we will stay here long as I expect there will be a movement and to go in some direction on a few days we have no news here of importance. It is reported that our pickets were driven in yesterday morning near Gordonsville & there was a large force of our men marched out in that direction & expect they will be fighting to do in a short time. We have a large force here in this.
At the rear of our camp, I have been looking over the

positions of the enemy. I understand that the enemy have

thrown up a works of considerable strength to the south

of here. I am informed that they have a force of about 25,000

men. I am also informed that the enemy have a force of

about 10,000 men to the north of our camp. I am informed

that the enemy have a force of about 15,000 men to the

south of our camp. I am also informed that the enemy

have a force of about 20,000 men to the north of our camp.

I am also informed that the enemy have a force of about

10,000 men to the south of our camp.

Sandwich, June 14th, 1863

John Doe

Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army
Camp of the 1st N.C. S. F. 3 miles North E. of Richmond, Va. June 8th 1862. Dearest wife, your kind letter of the 23 May is duly to hand. I found me in good health, I was truly glad to hear that you were well. The boys generally in camp is well. We are on the left wing of General Johnston's army. The line of battle is about 15 miles long. The army has been more or less fighting about 6 miles below us on this line for more than a week. Back our troops have him successful so far in driving the enemy back. Our Artillery has had any fighting to do since we have been in camp though I don't know how soon we will have it to do. We are ready at any time we are told. You spoke something about my clothes. I sent 1 shirt, 1 pair pants, 2 pairs drawers, 1 cap, 1 pair gloves, & 1 pair handkerchiefs in 2 coats.
I one good Clay hammer, one lid Pencil. They was all put in J. T. Boggs' box, when you go after them take this letter with you for I have named all the articles in it that I sent to you try and do the best you can to save our crop you said you would be glad to see me at home I would be very glad to get home but there is no chance for a man to get any furloughs at this time nor I dont expect there will be any chance soon without times gets better. I close with affection direct your letter to Richmond Va. 7th Regt. N.C. 2'd Brigade in one of Capt. R. S. young or Samuel Almon. Tell M. M. Mcwady that C.S. Mcwady is well I getting very fat I has wrote several letters to him I havent received any answer yet nor heard from home since he left.
March 31st 1862. Camp Johnson.

Dear Wife, I take

home of exploring you in this line.

I am not well this time.

I hope this time you have gone
to harvest. I hope spring time you all well good health in time. I received
last Sunday I am glad to hear it.

I hope well to you.

Both.

Your affectionate,

[Signature]

[Handwritten notes and corrections]
July 10, 1862

Camp, near Richmond

Dear wife, I now have the pleasure of knowing I am in form you that I am not well at this nor have been for some time. I have been sick. I wake and am glad that I can say to you that I am on the mend. Some I have been very sick. I am at the hospital in 4 miles of Richmond. I hope you trust in God when these few lines come to you. May my fine you enjoy the best of health.
I can in forms you
That they has bin at
Dreadful Battle Fort
Cher at Richmond
Fort the yankees at
Fort 11 days will wind
Them a Boart 25 miles

Tell you My Dear wife
That it was a terrible
Time while we was en-
Engage with the enemy I am
glad that I can say
to you that I came
With Safe Brother IANCE
Got killed in the battle
Wilson Walker got killed
In John Wilkesbros Their
Is all that got killed
On the feel up and know
off an a good many of our men was wounded an some taken prisoners
I would be very glad to see you again and hope that my life will be spared
To come back home once
more an if we ever meet no more talk in this
If I hope that we will meet in a better world
I would be glad to hear from you an she show you all air getting a
long if have nothing more of interest to write at
Present I want you to write to me as soon as you can an give me all the
News write as fall not
So I will close for this
Time yours affectionate
day will until death
Lenard aton to his wife
whi you write direct of my
Letters to Richmond that
a regard Carolina troops
Gen Branch Commanding

Lenard Almond
Gardens Mill, S.C.

May 14th, 1862

My Dear Wife

Orange County, Va.

I now write my self to let you know I have not been able to write you for some time. I am well and hope that you are all well and enjoying good health. I can inform you that we have not been in any fight yet, but we expect to be ordered off from this place before long, but we do not know where we will have to go. I can inform you that we have to go near all the time while we was traveling to the old Birkhines. It rained near all the time we was traveling. We came three large cities. We came those Petersburg and Richmond and several other cities and now we are at the city of gardens mill about 70 miles from Richmond not very far from the enemy's line.
Dear wife when you rightly let me no whether you received the money from that R.R. Adams and let me no whether you got the clothing that went in R. Rogers how or not A new subject I can inform you that y have bought a good deal of whiskey some where

live out left concord I bought one quart the dog would like to see had and his very well well I will bring those few lines to a close by asking you to right as soon as you get this do not fail in righting soon so nothing more J. Alman to

writ by J. T. Richey

Caroline Alman
of the camp near Gordonsville
August 13, 1862

Dear sister, I take the present opportunity of writing you a few lines in answer to your kind letter which came to hand a few days ago and I was glad to hear from you and to hear that you was well and doing well these past lines leaving me in good health only almost traveled down we have had a pretty hard time of it for several days we went up above Orange court house and had to brush with the Yankee but we soon cleared them out we lost three or four thousand men Yankee.
loss is estimated at about three thousand I mean in killed and wounded and prisoners our regiment did not lose a man nor no one wounded except Joshua Hartsock the got wounded in hand brother Monroe Linker is not very well but he is still able to go about the rest of the boys is tolerable well I bring my new line to a close by asking you to write soon and give me all the news give my best respects to all inquiring friends I remain all your faithful friend [signature]
General Alman 5/10
Caroline Alman
Dec. 16th 1862 Camp near Fredericksburg

Dear Wife, I take the pleasure wanting more to write you a few lines which will inform you that I am well at present and I hope when those few lines come to hand that they may find you all well. I received two letters from you one dated 17th of Nov. and the other one the 12th of this month. I received the letter that you sent by William Hilton and the articles that you sent to me by him. We had a battle near Fredericksburg commenced on the 11th it was in the van on the 13th and was seen the battle field those three days. The Yankees crossed the river this morning. I dont expect that they will do any more fighting here at this place. The Yankees lost goods quite a lot on the certain number.
Who the yankey loss was the greatest we taken a good many prisoners we got a good many wounded I give you the names of some that is wounded John Vandenberg slitten Lieut A Burr, serious.

W H Burr slitten Rufus Motley slitten Rowan Garnon slitten James Freeman slitten and several more wounded that I not name and one field officer killed came the field name George A Blackwelde

Monroe Linker has not come with us for some time he is at the Hospital somewhere I don't know where for certain I want you to look for a hand to send a crop in time I will send you some money the first chance I get in I must close these few lines Write soon

I remain your affectionate husband until death

Leviurl Halman To Sarah A Almon
I received your letter on the 20 of June 1863.

Ransom Shires

Dear Sir,

I drop you these few lines to let you know that I would be very glad if you could stay and work for me this summer.

Dear Sir,

I then understood that I received another just before I got the last from you and I said that yours that says jolicks Carding and Barn Raising and then quilting. I would close these few lines nothing more at this time. I remain your true husband till Beth write soon Direct Richmond Va. I Alman To Mrs Caroline Alman.
Camp Gregg Jan 29 63

Dear wife:

I take this opportunity to let you know that I am well at this time and that I am hoping that you are enjoying good health and that you do not have as much inconvenience as you did when you wrote your last letter. I am writing to let you know that I am doing well and that the times are very pleasant. Nothing in your letter disturbances me and I should not say.
Now I know all was in
my stead I can tell
you who all stays in
the tent with me.
A. Adcox and E. Dulaney
and I bade them
and I jest I take and I go
Winder and Dr. H. Winder
and Mr. Willingham. They
are all that are in
mess with me at this
place. But there are
several that and hear
now and the account
of sickness you was also
wanting to know something
about our fare about
eating I can inform
you that it is very
 rough though we eat
such as it is.
But it is nothing but bread and flour and the meat is nothing but beef and some of the horses that was here that I did not fit to eat and some times we make a kind of a soup full of sugar and molasses. The man and some times we draw some wheat to make coffee.

Dear wife I can inform you that we thought that we would have been in old North Carolina before now. But we are looking for another fight this time and I think if it don't come off in a few days I think that we will go any how.
Camp Gregg N.C.  
March 11th, 1863

Dear wife,

I sat myself to drop you a few lines. I am anxious to hear from you and your kind. The spring has come, but the weather has been cold and damp. Last Saturday I heard the news and was glad to hear that you and the children are all well and hearty. This has been a time of great health and I hope it may find you enjoying a little bit of rest. I have nothing new to write at this time, but I will have rain or snow, perhaps, for several days. It snowed a little last night. It had been cloudy and rainy for several days before. It has cleared off pretty well, and winter is still. I am on guard to day. The war news here is nothing at this time. There were several
Cannon fire goes on the Yankee's side of the river. It is thought that General Stuart is in their rear or on their flanks. I tell you old Aunt's cavalry is not their calculating. Very few. They were from the health of our company is good at this time. You said that you had been trying to send me something to eat. I know it is a too chance for which one of our own company go home very fellow wants him to bring him something. I will clear my few lines for this line write own nothing more your husband. Truly I will thank Leonard. So to the wording. Amen.
Camp Gregg Va

April 14th 1863

Dear wife,

It is with pleasure that I write to you, in order to let you know that I am well at the present time and hoping that those few lines come to hand, you may find you all well and in good spirits. Since I received your kind letter, I was glad to have your loving words. Last week, I received your letter, and I read it with pleasure. I have nothing to write at this time, except that I am well. I want you to know that the war has not yet ended, and it is uncertain what the future holds. I wish you and the boys well.
members we will have to fight
mean Lee fore long but I can't tell
nothing about it. The say the
air crossing up at the United States
land I can't tell whether that is
true or not for there is so much talk
I don't know when I have the truth.
I want you to tell father to write
of he don't I will have a deal of him
soon time. I would like to have from
him and I want him to write and let
me have from him so I will have to
my short letter for the want of
some thing to write. We can't have
nothing new at all these times.
I want you to write often and
fale not in so doing so I remain
your husbon until death.

Leonard Almon to
Caroline Almon
Camp Gregg
Near Burnie Station
May 13th, 1863

My dear Wife,

Your letter of date May 9th came to hand yesterday. I was glad to hear that you were all well, and hope these lines may find you all still well. I can inform you that I am well except very much fatigued from the late battle and hard marching. We were all nearly worn out when we got back to our old camp where we are now. I was reported among the missing, and was thought to have been taken prisoner, but I was not taken. Our Regt. was retreating and I could not run as fast as the others therefore fell out, but afterward made my way back to the Regiment: I got lost and did not find the company till the third day. Therefore it was supposed that I was taken prisoner.
we had a desperate fight & lost a great many men, but we gave the Yankees a good whipping again and sent Old Joe Hooker back across the river, one cause for my falling out of line in the retreat was that I was barefooted, but before I reached the company I picked up a good pair of shoes on the battle field. The battle field was a sight to behold, dead men and horses everywhere we went besides the whole country was strewn with guns, Nap Sacks, blankets, overcoats, Havre Sacks and every thing you could think of, but we could not carry much of it with us but this paper I am writing I took from a Yankee Nap Sack also a nice port folio for carrying pens with paper in, I also saved me a couple of good wool shirts, a choice Nap Sack and a handsome memorandum book & some letters.
I inclose one Yankee likeness in this letter which you may give to little Doodle—
our battle line was about fifteen miles long. we traveled the whole length of the line when we came back to this camp. i don't think we was out of sight of a dead Yankee or one of our Men's graves or a killed Horse the whole distance, and many places they lay thick enough to walk on our Men was all buried before we left for camp on Thursday, but i am told that the Yankees still lie in the field yet, not buried.

I will close, hoping you will write to me as soon as you receive this direct your letter as before

i Remain your husband

lucinda alvord
Mr. Paul Little
Dear Father,

Your letter of April 29th came to hand last Friday, which I was glad to see, but sorry to hear you was not well. I have not much to write about only what I have already written to Caroline which you can also read out of our Company in the late battle was killed. Capt. John Jones, W. Pinckney, Lt. A. Still, and others, who are not of your acquaintance, Capt. McCullum, Mr. Rigby, and also three others of Capt. Harris, R. Rivers, and a great many others that we hear of in other Regiments that we have not room to mention. Capt. Little came out safe. March 11th saw him as we came down. Riley is wounded in side and elbow both very badly, but the Dr. says not at all dangerous. He is to keep in Richmond, hoping you will write to me soon. I close most respectfully your Son

Leonard Almond
Camp near Frankville
Pensylvania June 29 1863

Dear wife I now take my pen in hand to in form you
That I am well at this
time trusting those few lines
That find you in good
health. Dear wife I can say
To you that I have saw little
does of left the virginia this is
Away from country wild and
vast. thick settled and the
pines ahead craft that I
swear saw and corn is plentiful
ing and we had a long travel
in coming here we have
not found a now enemy
yet the say that the
yankes is at hardinburg
I dont go odds in firsts.

of me
I must tell you something of our fair in this State on Tuesday evening of last week. We went there the first of the month. We went out to pick apples and we got everything we wanted. We went to get eggs and butter and chickens and anything that we wanted. We didn't want to pay money. But we told them that we would take that or nothing when Confining didn't eat less than 25 chickens yesterday. We hear things is how money is. Don't mention how it was to safety. The Confederate States has got sheet of.
We heard this morning
that Abe Lincoln was
coming in the rear of us
and if he is he may not
not for he will be coming
in the rear of Hooker and
I think I can hit him
on every little road by to
you that you would like to see
you all again the rain
further from home now then
everyone is in this mail yet
and hope that this will see the
willing wife. I hope
if you can let me know
in this at home with ope
we will see it does odd to on
come out of the south in this state
for there id now slaves a little
what are peat with as
The negroses prepare
we cant see any near
Of few linds to my little children = I'll Ende and bid to be good children and tell them kindly for me to do. Must bring my letter to a close by asking you to write to me and fill not Mr. Adams near line alman direct your letters to Winchester via Riga of lieutenant James J. Harris to B 1st 1st Regt. Chins Brigade Indian division.
Camp Gregg N. A.  
May 9th 63

Dear Wife

I shall myself this morning to cheer you a few lines in answer to your which came in hand yesterday morning. I was glad to hear that you were all well and thing well I am well with I the exception of bad cold I haven't anything to complain of. The battle was a terrible thing the hottest place and this Regt has been into the 'Yanks killed and wounded in our Regt two hundred and fourteen or sixteen among the killed is Wm. 'Inckhart, Rufus Helley and among
Wounded as Wm. M. Simon.


Mackin, Tucker, John, and James.

Heartse. I think you know we also lost one of our casks filled with 4500 barrels of ammunition of the Yankee breastwork where they had twenty-eight pieces of artillery playing on us, and three lines of battle of infantry between us and the camp. We were compelled to fall back old Stuart charged their battery with one of our batteries and burned the cavalry round to them.
Dear and Dear, we have taken part of their guns but the most desperate firing ever heard was there after lying in line of battle eight days we could not find a Yankee in this side of the river only the prisoners and about one hundred prisoners on our line the 14th we marched to old camp going we got there late at night and we were tremendously tired and it seems very senseless so many of the boys being about we have only sixteen one man left in our Company.
we are very hungry we haven't had anything to eat since we got here. only after crackers we drank up there on the battle field. The reason is the wagons are all employed hauling off the wounded and the guns and other plunder you never saw. The like of blankets and rations in all the days of your life I will close best I mean your patience nothing more will you see. I hope this may find you all well. I come through safe your husband, Leon, Almar

To Caroline, Almar
August 1st 1863

New Caroline Home

I met myself this morning to ask you a few lines my object is to let you know that a letter arrived here yesterday evening from your husband and as he is not present with the company I feel it my duty to let you know what has been of him well in the first place the day that came back to Virginia the cavalry charged on the Leonard and was out on Shem-Wish. The Yankees party flanked on Shemishers Trench. Some of them prisoners he has not been seen or heard of since supposed to be taken prisoner John Vanderburg was also out but he come through all right.

is how with the company I write
Several letters stating the news announce the missing and prisoners. I thought the news would be spread generally through the neighborhood so that their friends might know what had become of them when I last saw Leonard, he was well and in good spirits and as he generally got me to read his letters and write for him, I concluded to write these lines. Nothing new with no boys all well we have only seventeen men in the company nothing.

Yours A.C.

John T. Rogers
Camp E. N. C. Troops
Liberty Mill, Va.
Mr. Cardine, Alman
Jan 23rd 1864

Your note has been received to which I hasten a reply; you wished me to confer a favor bid you by sending some money and sending the same to job. I would do so with pleasure if I could but it is impossible. Then having been a law paper not to play unless the one to whom the pay is due were present at the mustering of the troops also to sign the Payroll. So you see as he was not present at the muster it is impossible to get his pay until he gets back. you also wished me to let you know if I had heard from him lately I haven't heard any thing from him since C.S. Murray got that letter last Summer at Orange Court House, if I hear from
him at any time & will most certainly let you know as I consider it the duty of any Solloon to give to the friend of any one of his comrades any information concerning them that would be satisfactory, when placed under such circumstances, I have always made it a rule so to do.

The most of our prisoners in the hands of the enemy are at Point Lookout, Maryland, we have very cold weather here at this time no news at all of any interest so move on the part of the enemy only I learnt from the Paths of Thursday that the Yanks had advanced their pickets to the Rapidan River below the railroad bridge about fifteen or twenty miles from here nothing more yours respectfully

M Dan. P. Boyer
Camp 7

Miss Amed March 30 1864

Agreeable to your request I drop you these lines to hear from your husband. The Captain saw a man by the name of Fleming, who has been lately paroled. He said that he knew Leonard well that he saw him at Point of Rocks Maryland also that he was in the Hospital sick. Fleming is a citizen of Cabarras County North Carolina. That is the only news I have heard from him since last summer. Geeze still got a letter from Bill still but that didn't say anything about Leonard. He said Bill James, John, Barber and Bill Maxwell were there.
we have no purchase of any interest we have had at
any time it gains a perfect place yesterday
the boys are all rallied in fine spirits of life
and this is to give you to a bill at your leisure ending

St. Dan D. Bayard
I am this my self.

Camp near Turkey Rig.

And the 12th day 1864 dear aunt I
set my self to drop you es for lines to let you no that
I very well heat I hop that
I will get letter I hop these
two lines my find you will
and hearty I have no rust to
such to hit at this time only
me or king in bin of ballie
yet our line and the yardly
line is closet together expect
we will can they so far saw
time I hope the war will soon
end and we will get home
and then I will fly to rand
the goal with bob golay and
nowwe linger and seth between
then we will have great times
we will put the big jar in
The little now in makedpans.
I want you to tell all the girls to be good for me tell them to forget me. I can say to you that we git plenty to eat at this time the hog is all well at this time as coming. I want you to writ slow and not feel so no not only i want you to send me till clothes, Juba's, and Myres to calico above. I want you to send me the next letter to send me your letters. Sir, I set my self to drop you a line. It let you no that I can't very well to day and hope this find you well and hearty. I want you to take care of yourself and don't hurt yourself. I'm writing this with the girls. I must bring my short letter to do close by asking you to send some to Myres to read at Myres.
On the banks of the Potomac there is an army, so strong it is to disjugate cities far and near.

They say we have split this great union in two,
and altered the colors of the red, white, and blue.

Huzzah! Huzzah! We are a nation that is free.

Three cheers for Jeff Davis and treason's sake two.

Our barms are simple and red, and we will stand
They float from the Potomac to the Grand Rio grand,
they float over a people that is gallantly true.

Huzzah! Huzzah! We are a nation they creed.

Three cheers for Jeff Davis and the red, white, and blue.

On the plains of Manassas the Yankee seemed
We gave them such a stinging they will never forget
To Richmond. They started there little they knew
How rebels would fight under the bold white and blue.

Huzzah! Huzzah! We are a nation they creed.

Three cheers for Jeff Davis and the red, white, and blue.

Of we had once fought on the 10th of last month
Magruder at Bettle whipped our Picquage.

Comencing in the morning and lasted till two
When Huzzah waved over the red, white, and blue.

Huzzah! Huzzah! We are a nation they creed.

Three cheers for Jeff Davis and treason's sake.

If you want to hear Lincoln and pandilomome just mention that mason and Stidul affair.
When they first got them they thought they would now they curse England and The red white and blue. Huzzah! Huzzah! We are anxious that is true to three cheers for Jeff Davis and Beauregard. The sweetest and happiest plan on this earth.

Our ladies sweet ladies. The least of song birth. By 40 I will stand and prove gallant true and die defending the red white and blue. Huzzah! Huzzah! We are anxious that is true. Three cheers for Jeff Davis and the red white and blue.

Leonard Alman