

Kenmuir May 23^d 1863

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Dear Charles

I received your first letter at the time the Yankee Cavalry were on a visit to this neighbourhood, and amidst cares about other things, lost your letter and with ~~it~~ your address. I was therefore much pleased to receive yesterday yours of the 19th.

Our visitors came no nearer to me than Louisville where they were roughly treated by the 9th Va Cavalry and lost 40 prisoners besides several killed and wounded. We had also an affair on the Three Chop road 6 miles from my house and had the pleasure of seeing Lee's Cavalry returning by our house with some 50 prisoners. Of course our cattle and negroes spent most of the time in the woods. I lost nothing but one days work in my corn field. Tip was with us at the time without a horse but managed during the confusion to get possession of a Yankee horse and has gone off to join Stuart at Culpeper. Stuart has now with him some 7000 Cavalry =

and I hope will keep things straight for the
future I am much pleased to hear of
your comfortable birth and hope you will
be able to render it complete by having Mrs
Powell with you



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We have received late advices from Locust
Hole all well, Frank Grady is at Fort Dale=
near, well treated -
yours truly
Nelson Gordon