

Chimborazo Hospital. 4<sup>th</sup> Division  
Ward 6 near Richmond  
January 15<sup>th</sup> 1864

Dear Wife Your very welcome letter of Jan  
7<sup>th</sup> came to hand Yesterday and was most  
gladly received. I can assure you. I am very  
glad to know that you are well and hope  
that you may still be so when this reaches  
you. I am, better now than when I came  
here, though I am not fit for duty yet  
I do not know when I shall be able to  
get home. I cannot get a furlough. So  
tis needless to try for one.

Do not see the land by any means till  
I come home. My time will be up on the  
28<sup>th</sup> of February and I am in hopes that  
I shall then get off for good.

do not sell or pawn the cow if you  
can possibly do without it. You must  
see Mr. Wm. Kenk and get a Barrel of  
flour from him on my account.

Remember my respects to Mr. Childress,  
tell him that I hope to be able to get up  
there soon and get that Jug of Molasses,  
my respects to Mr. Casey also.

You need not trouble yourself to send  
me the half-soles you can keep them till I come

I must now close remember  
my best respects to all my friends, let  
me hear from you soon, I am  
Yours as Ever

George Joy