

Camp near Hatchers Run  
March 20th 1865

My dear Pat -

I reckon you are wondering why you have not received a hearing from me before this. But you will perceive by the heading of this note that I am no longer in the trenches. We were relieved the 16th of this month and sent on the extreme right of our line, and as soon as we took our position in camp we were sent on picket on the Hatcher Run battleground, and there remained 3 days. I am very much jaided from my march down here, having marched nearly all night the night we left the trenches, and from the severe duty while on picket. We are even now under marching orders, and it is to be expected that we shall be marched about from post to post. We are on the right where most of the fighting is conducted, and I don't know at what hour Grant may throw his legion upon us. It is said he has been massing on our right for a long time for the Southside Road - that seems to be his great idea now to get possession of that. We are 8 or 10 miles from Petersburg in a log cabin and would be very comfortable if the Yankees would let us rest. They are 5 or 6 miles from us. We have to go 4 miles to get to our picket post.

I have been very uneasy that you might send Winston to Petersburg while I am so far away. I know the horse cannot be spared from home that length of time from the plough, and I regretted that I wrote you word to send him with Mr. Minor. I would not wish you to send him now, as it would be impracticable and things are so much behindhand at home. If you get this note in time do not send him. He would never find me. With the exception of fatigue and exposure, the effects of which I most sensibly feel, I am quite well.

I have heard that the mail route to King & Queen has been cut by Sheridan, but I will risk this note anyhow. I haven't time to write more now, I have been very busy all day. And now, dearest Pat, my prayers are always for you and my love is yours. Remember me to the children. May God be with all of you.

Your affect. husband

Jos. L. Pollard

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