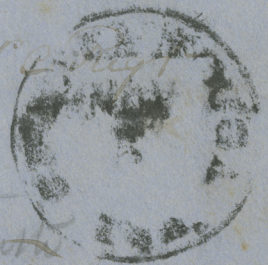


Apr 4<sup>th</sup> / 1863  
Harry C. ...  
Co 4 3rd Regt ...

Camp ... Out -

Col. Phelps ... killed +  
reflections on ... death

Mrs E. W. Miller



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Puddleton ...  
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Miller  
Co. Ct.

Open when received  
Pendleton

8. 1. 1863

Camp Look Out  
Nov 4<sup>th</sup> / 63

My Dear Ma

This morning I write again notwithstanding my having writt en to Pat day before yesterday. In which letter I gave him all the particulars concerning the substitute business. I explaind to him Prages new orders concerning the recruiting business. I do if he possibly can wish him to get me a substitute or a recruit anyway. I enclosed Col Stacey note concerning it and you can see his willingness to do any thing in his power to assist me notwithstanding he desires to give me up. Why he speaks so concerning his willingness to do any thing for a relief for your grief is because when I wrote him my note concerning the matter I commended this.

"Owing to the great disturbance at my home caused by the death of my Cousin at Chickamauga I wrote him a letter of flattering note and enclosed it in such a manner tho he could hardly refuse

You will see from his note  
that he is willing to even comply  
with the request I made of him  
concerning the temporary substitute  
but his military duties will not  
allow, it, I should even have to quit  
the Regt for several seasons, but my  
my reasons for quitting is so far over  
balanced those for not wanting to  
that I am perfectly willing to do  
so. The mode of warfare I proposed  
to Pa. would delight me exceedingly  
ly, there would be such a wide  
arena for me to work in. and I  
then could gain a reputation. It is  
hard for so many to be rising from  
obscurity and my being forever buried.

You and Pa will consider this  
thing and try and help me out. I  
have no doubt, I if I had a full  
would be free from all military  
power free to act as I please. There  
is a wide scope for a young man  
to work in out in this western  
any the country is a most favourable  
all out for it. The mountains suit  
exactly for such work

Yesterday evening we got orders  
to send back all heavy baggage, and  
be ready to move at a moments  
warning. All the troops in reach of  
this place got the same orders.  
Various opinions have been freely  
expressed as to where we are going.  
Some think we are going to E. <sup>to</sup> Perry  
others that we are going to fall back  
toward Atlanta. Others that Thomas  
is going to fall back, & various other  
of which I know nothing. Neither do  
they. Orders have just this minute  
come to cook up all rations, as we  
are going somewhere certain. We were  
not engaged the other night, Leaking  
Brig was, and was badly cut up. That  
night our Regt was out on the very  
extreme post, on picket. It was  
about two o'clock at night the  
moon was shining beautifully. I was  
way out in front of every thing in  
the shape of a Confederate. Acting  
Vidette, a man being called upon  
out of our camp who could be  
trusted, I was called upon and went

I was not out a very short distance from  
the Yankee pickets, could almost hear  
what they were saying, could see them  
moving about in their camps, every  
thing was perfectly quiet, but as I said  
when the cannon up on the left began  
to boom and the musketry began  
to roar, you had better believe I kept  
a sharp look out, soon every thing  
was in motion among the Yankees.  
The signal lights began to be put in  
motion, they commenced to beat  
the long rolls, & every thing was ready  
for battle, I was not very far from  
the Star Fort, of Rosecrans build  
and the cannoniers soon had their  
lights struck, and their cannon  
were soon ready for action, it was  
really an impressive sight, to look  
around me, there almost amongst  
my deadliest enemies, the moon  
shining upon me with its pale silver  
rays, the cannon roaring and shells  
screaming at that hour of the  
night, I knew that some poor  
fellow was biting the dust at  
every moment, but who it was I  
did not know, perhaps my best  
friend for I knew nothing of it.

was, then perhaps at the very time  
I was thinking that Poor Whitt  
Lilpatrick was killed, what a  
sad thing that was, Whitt was one  
of the best officers in the Regt, his  
men all loved him, and his death  
is very much regretted, I pity Mrs  
Lorton she certainly does have enough  
trouble, Old Pennington does suffer  
certainly, just look around you and  
see the young men she has lost,

I know Aunt Margarets suffers  
I dont blame her, she has lost  
one of Gods most glorious gifts  
Tally Simpson was as noble a boy  
as ever lived, his loss is regretted  
by every one who knew him, James  
says the night he fell he laid on  
the battle field, among the feet of  
the slain, and was not buried  
until the next day, The lock of  
Lair you speak of James kept  
and I enclose it thus just as he  
left it, they say it is fixed  
he did it himself, How sad it does  
make to look at them things Poor fellow

I was truly glad to hear of my  
darling Sister, had joined the Church  
& hope they may prove true to the  
cause they support, until yours came  
& had not heard a word from home  
in four weeks, but yours explained  
it all. Ma I want you to get Pa  
to have me a pair of boots made  
I spoke to Pa, about it but came  
to no decision, you if you have  
the cloth will please have my  
coat made just after the same  
figures as my drablets summer  
coat; the same length and size in  
every way. Smith of Anderson cut it  
and perhaps the has the same figures  
yet; please do this, my shoes are fast  
wearing out with no prospect of  
getting any more, James says tell  
his folks he is well doing well and  
sends his best love to <sup>them</sup> you all

Tell them to write to me soon  
you do the same God by Ma

Your most affectionate son

My very best love to all at home

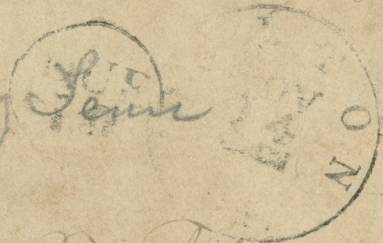
you ask me about my visit to Grand Pa & enjoyed  
myself very much and indeed. he very pleasant man  
at uncle John's



Harry C. Miller  
Co A 3<sup>rd</sup> Regt S.C.

Nov-11<sup>th</sup> 1863

Sanctuary Valley Tenn



Miss Carry T. Miller

Puddledton Village

South Carol

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Porterville Valley  
Nov 11th 63

My dear Sister

Day before yesterday we  
got to this place and I will try  
and answer your most interesting and  
affectionate letter when you received  
it before leaving this country. I  
think you got it in time to make  
you regret to not make you aware  
of the fact of our leaving Chattanooga  
after I had sent my letter you was  
revised in your mind that you had  
rather have that our answer to your  
letter by I got it in time to make me

Of the proceedings of our party  
The evening told you in my letter  
will give you a full account of our  
successful riding up to the top of  
Twelve Oaks on Sunday morning we  
took the train and after one of the most  
disagreeable trips of a day and night and  
one of the most pleasant to imagine  
might have been Tuesday morning about  
one o'clock I was surprised to see the  
train in that box car that night we  
could not sleep a word or lightly  
I asked that it was impossible to travel

over. if a fellow once get up he never  
could get off & again. But this way  
we passed the night, I never wish  
to pass such another again. We got to  
this place and struck out for a camp  
and are here now. Yesterday morning  
my gun was called upon to go with  
the boys in the country to get forage  
for the stock. I was called upon and  
went. The object of the guard was to  
guard the country against attacks of  
"Bushwhackers" many of which infect  
this country. I would not take too much  
into the country, yet some and have  
I got a very good dinner and have  
an old game which I expect to eat  
tomorrow. Today I am very sore  
having walked about twenty five miles  
yesterday and the day before having  
run a pack all day. That is the fun  
for camp these days we have six dogs  
out catch them ourselves. That day  
we caught four and yesterday with the  
assistance of a boy caught eighteen  
more, we are up in the whole Regt  
is going now even to the front -

Officers all down. The weather is  
very cold the Jack frost stays on the  
ground all day I have no prospect  
of ice and some snow. A distance is  
coming upon us very fast this country  
is just forty miles below Knoxville  
is a very fertile and very fertile  
I am as well pleased as I can be  
in my present position and hope we  
will give our hearts the enjoyment of the  
winter. It is expected that we will go  
up in London in a day or two  
there we will have a very good  
dance. I have no more to say  
The peace of the nation is all well  
dog it is the opinion of every one  
that Longstreet will beat the British  
back to Cambridge Gap and if he  
does not retreat very precipitately there  
will be a terrible fight and then we  
will go into winter quarters. I do  
hope we may give them another  
terrible blow and I get through safe  
I write again many of a small  
note at the time I received the letters  
I received from home and spoke

of the battle appearing at this time that  
no doubt might have been fought and  
it is probable that a fight will  
be fought between the  
British and the  
Americans. I am  
glad to hear that  
Margaret has  
recovered well from  
her illness and that  
she is again  
able to take  
her usual  
share of  
the work.

I am  
glad to hear  
that you  
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Know all to whom these things shall come  
that I have sold to you

cash for the same

the sum of \$100  
Nov 18<sup>th</sup> 1863

and which is a full  
and complete receipt

for the same



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Indictment

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Knoxville  
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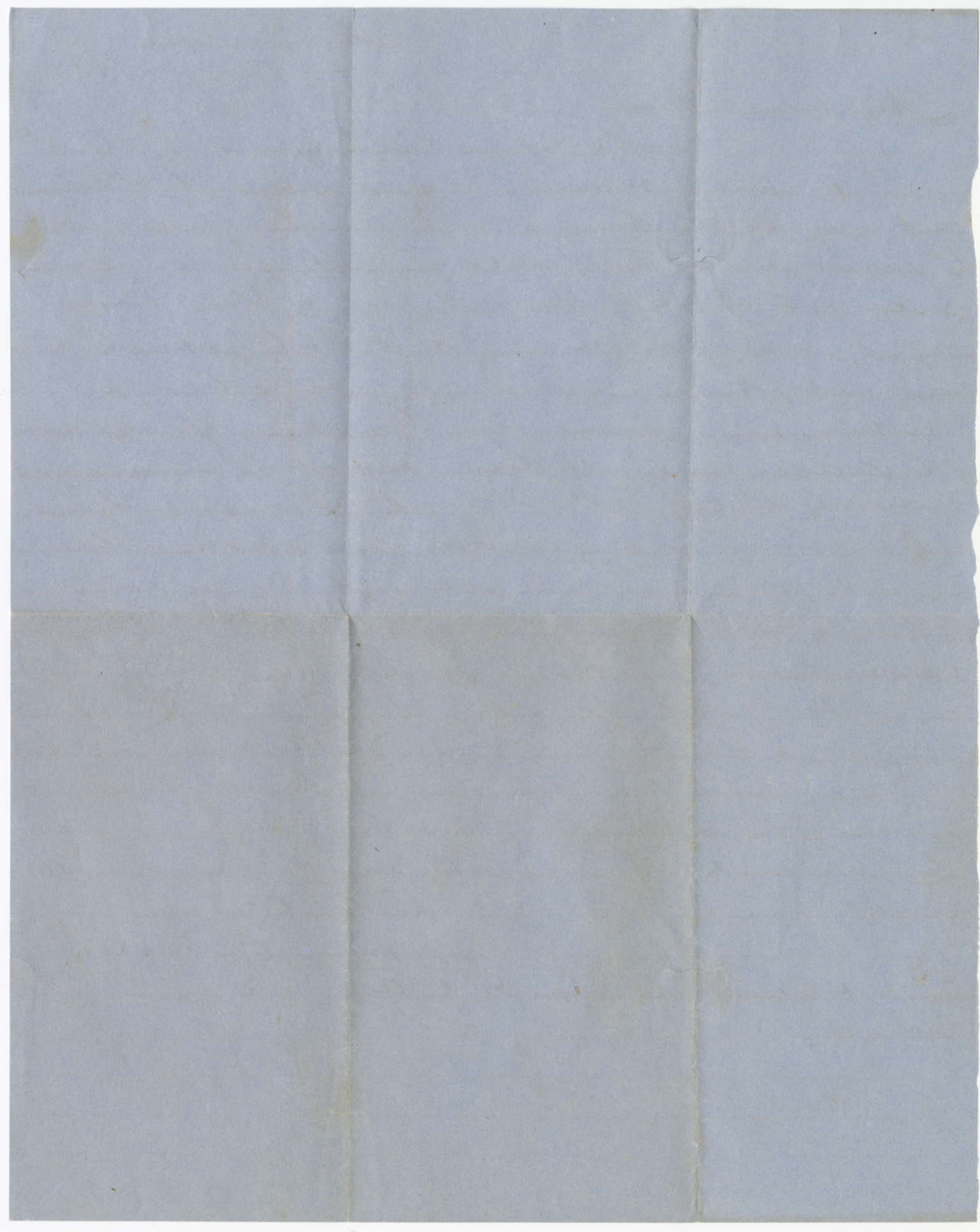
My dear Mrs

Right before last you of the 8<sup>th</sup>  
and 11<sup>th</sup> were received. and although I have  
but very little time to write I will endeavour  
to say something that will be satisfactory. I am  
well got through the frost up to this time  
safely. Yesterday evening our Regt got into a  
very hot place. great many were hurt.

We have been pressing the Yankees for about  
20 miles will get them out of E. Tennessee  
entirely ~~at this time~~ I think, at Lewis Station  
we captured many wagons and now, and then,  
we take prisoners. we all perhaps we have  
taken 500 hundred. Longstreet has taken  
possession of Knoxville, and will  
drive the Yankees out of E. T. Old L. is a  
great fellow. and will be the cause of E.  
being liberated. yet the Yankees flew  
before <sup>him</sup> like a parcel of scared sheep.

I have not time to say much, you must  
write often by your affectionate son  
Sammy C. Miller.

My best love to all, Love to the  
children



J. W. C. Miller

Manuel Va

Georgetown C. & G. C. Co.

Dec 4 - 1853

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J. W. C. Miller

Endless  
Pungent

Dec 4<sup>th</sup> 1863

Recd of the amount recd  
during a fortnight  
coming home

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W. Manette  
Dec 4<sup>th</sup> 1863

Dear Pa

This morning your  
Post Market at Columbia was  
landed me. I am sorry that  
you found out that I had recei-  
ved a warrant for it, and  
consequently necessary trouble  
sent as regards the amount I  
can send you it is getting  
along very well I suffer very  
little from it To day I went  
before the board and they are  
going to give me a furlough  
of 45 days. I felt rather bad  
on yesterday evening and as  
soon after getting the furlough  
I feel like travelling I will  
start for home, you did not let  
me know what you went down  
for to Columbia for. As regards  
my drinking spirit you need  
not fear the least for, as Uncle  
John says, the old Bill has got  
issued a license. The idea of  
getting 10 dollars a gallon  
pleased him so well he kept  
selling until it is all  
played out, only a case of  
necessity will draw any.

I know the danger of spirit  
and had I been offered over  
as I should have been red-  
span. You must tell Mr.  
I have got out a pretty good  
good furlough I will be home  
in a few days, an don't see  
well, and she must not get

at all in case for it will be  
unnecessary, It was some time to hear  
you had heard it for I knew too  
well how it it would have its  
effects at home, Our Company had  
had time to answer to roll call the  
night after the fight I have heard  
of several who were killed and  
wounded, you must make them  
ill at home know that there  
is no danger I will talk Christmas  
services with you perhaps, Give my  
best love to all the family and  
tell them I am getting along very  
well and put as a boy

You need not write any more  
I am your affectionate  
son J. C. Miller