Camp. Barry, Marhington, Q. C. March 4th Ever Dear and addonable Courin It is with a steady hand and a firm heard that I wale myself of this appostunity to converse with you through the ryland language of the pen and inform you that I am rapely landed in the runny south once more and also that I am well and hope that there fine himes will find you enjoying the same bliftings for health is the greatest blessing ever bestowed raprou man especily a roldier for a roldier has a dreary time enough when in good health but when he is rich he has no one to care for him his friends are all far away and can comfost him only by writing him a few lines mad and there at it is no thresome here that I don't hardley know what to do I thinks of your after and wish that I could rec you but it will be a dong hime ere Phelala

your face again we are going to have a that have han confined so long in & hight battery and go into the field this rummer tyrants den and basely excliped starveing to rae exprest to go into tennerce as teyas but. death hut I am afraid that it will turn me don't know where we will go get me will and to the a false repost but I hope it is stay here por a while untill not get aux mat oh haw fais things look in our facos horses and gums and perhaps drill a while wow me thinks that I am see Through we have a very good place here and good a distant rhaddow a ray of light and quarters was are about one mile from the that say of light is the dawning of the city and it is a very foleasout place we asind day of peace and the day is not for distant in workington last ratuaday night at half part when the glosius round will sing through ter and staid at the soldiers rest all night aus glosius land and every heard leap and course up here sunday poserroon our for you as ans galant trush come staid in augusta two days and in Boston marching hours with gay and galant and day we came part of the way by rheam head and friends and lover formeet with boat from grollow come to newyork and the heating hearts and fundly clash eachother rest of the way by railroad we had a very in their armes to return to the wars no pleasont time conveing through at we hear more as it is getting lat and most glosius news here to day that General Bill sell call to shall be officed to close hopeing Fatterich is in kichmand and has hiberated to hear from you soon I will bid you a all of ans prisoness confined there and whost faiswell the news is confirmed so I think that From your affectionate Courser othere is a posibility of it being true Jame, be Seittlefield of how glosius it must be for the man a hij for you

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It is with a steady hand and firm heard that I avale myself of this opportunity to converse with you through the ? language of the pen and inform you that I am safely landed in the sunny south once more and also that I am well and hope that these few lines will find you enjoying the same blessings for health is the greatest blessing ever bestowed upon man especily a soldier for a soldier has a dreary time enough when in good health but when he is sick he has no one to care for him his friends are all far away and can comfort him onley by writeing him a few lines now and then oh it is so lonesome here that I don't hardley know what to do I think of you often and wish that I could see you but it will be long time ere I behold your face again we are going to have a light battery and go into the field this summer we expect to go into tennessee or texas but we don't know where we will go yet we will stay here for a while untill we get our horses and guns and perhaps drill a while we have a very good place here and good quarters we are about one mile from the city and it is a very pleasant place we arived in washington last saturaday night at half past ten and stiad at the soldiers rest all night and came up here Sunday forenoon we staid in augusta two days and in Boston one day we came part of the way by steam boat from grotton conn to new york and the rest of the way by railroad we had a very pleasant time comeing through oh we hear glorious news here to day that General Gill Patterick is in Richmond and has liberated all of our prisoners confined there and the news in confirmed so I think that there is a posibility of it being true oh how glorius it must be for the men that have been confined so long in a tyants den and barely escaped starveing to death but I am afraid that it will turn out to be a false report but I hope it is not oh how fair things look in our favor now me thinks that I can see through a distant shaddow a ray of light and that ray of light is the dawning of the day of peace and the day is not far distant when the glorius sound will sing through our florius land and every heard leap for joy as our galant troops come marching home with joy and falant tread and friends and lovers meet with beating hearts and fondly clasp each other in their armes to return to the wars no more as it is getting lat and must roll call I shall be obliged to close hopeing to hear from you soon I bid you a short fairwell

From you affectionate Cousen James C. Littlefield A kiss for you