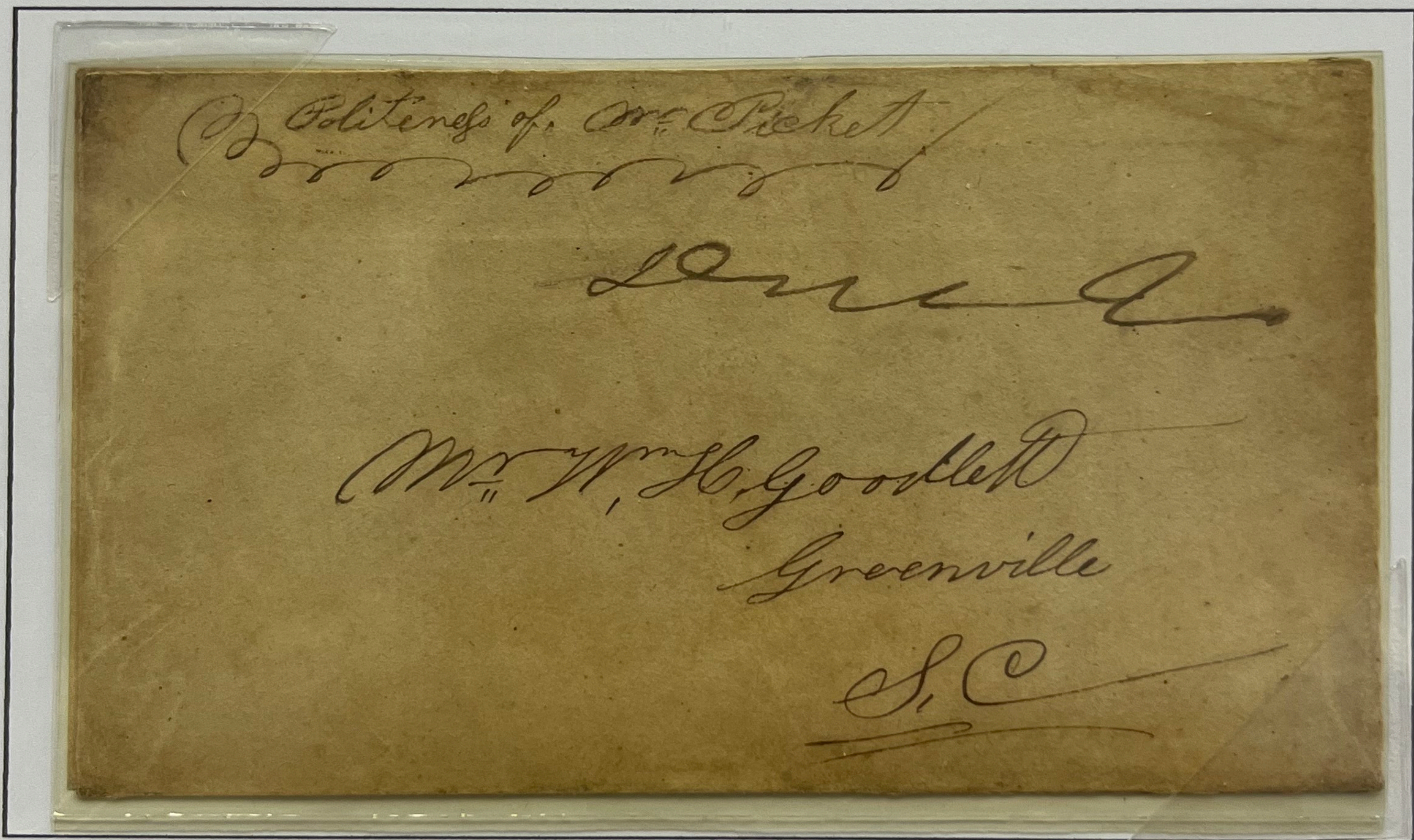


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**Military Soldier's Letter
4th Battalion SCV**

Greenville C. H.

Greenville District



Manuscript Due 2 on a dropped letter, enclosure dated Sept. 1861. Manuscript note "Politeness of Wm. Pickett". Addressed to Mr. Wm H. Goodlett, GREENVILLE, So. Ca. Enclosure is letter from Private Thomas Goodlett to his father. "the Yankees are burning Alexandria" No. 469

Thomas Goodlett was a Private in Company B, 4th Battalion SCV who enlisted at Greenville, SC on Apr. 13, 1861. He was discharged by provision of the Conscript Act, dated July 16, 1862.

James Y. Goodlett, mentioned in the enclosure was a Private in Company K 6th Reg't SCV, who enlisted in Summerville, SC on July 8, 1861. He was discharged on Sept. 3, 1861 by reason of a Surgeon Certificate of Disability dated Aug. 31, 1861.

Enclosure to 469 - Due 2 Letter to Greenville SC from Fairfax Va dated Sept 1861

Sept, 1861

Flint Hill 2 miles from Fairfax Va

Dear Father,

I wrote you a letter a few days ago. I don't expect that you will receive it. We are under orders to march at a minutes warning. General Longstreet sent a dispatch to General Bonham last night that the Yankees was burning up Alexandria. We can hear them firing cannons at Washington every day. Wm. Gilreath is getting well. Lawrence is well. Dr Gipson is very sick. He has no change for the better and it is very doubtful he gets well or not. James Y. Godlett has a discharge. I will send this by him.

I heard from Robt a few days ago, he was well. Uncle was complaining a little he looks very bad. I have not had the chance to see Robt since the battle. I look for him over here in a few days. Our company goes out on piquet (picket) tonight about 3 miles.

The health of our company is better and improving every (day) we now muster over 50 men and reported over 60 men able for duty. There will be Preaching in the Camp today. Steph Long has quit drinking because he can't get it to drink. he looks great and better than we left home.

I wish you would send me some envelopes, paper and a pencil also two woolen or flannel shirts and two drawers something like the cloth that shirt was of that you sent would do but I want them made different. I want them the length of the cotton shirt. You can send them by Mr. Pickle he will bring our uniforms.

yours

T. M. Godlett

Ps I rec'd yours of the 17th

Send me a pair of blankets. Someone stole mine and I can't get any in Virginia



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