

Hilton Head S.C. May 10/63

Dearest Cousin

Yours of the 27th Inst. is received and contents noticed. I will endeavor [sic] to keep you posted in regard to my health. spirits. etc. I am well now. and not quite so low Spirited. as I was at the time of writing my last to you. I am glad you consider it a foolish fancy in me to imagine that you might not like to have me write so often, and will try to avoid writing so silly a letter again. I am glad too, that it gives you pleasure to answer my letters, for I assure you. that. it gives me great pleasure to receive letters from home and friends, indeed, it is the only consolation. I have. I fear I could not be reconciled to the comfortless life I am compelled to live. but for the pleasure I derive from the many kind letters I receive. I received a letter from Sister. Gertrude. date the same as yours. it was her birthday. I also received three from Oshkosh. They are all well. So you see. the mail that brought your letter brought four with it. I would not care if it had brought a dozen. I would like it all the better. Tell [?] I would like to have her write, and will answer with the greatest pleasure imaginable. I have not yet received a letter from Auntie Pine. I wish she would write. Yes. I do think your present a "pretty one". and will try to get. some photographs taken and send you one . if you wish me to. Thank you Dear Cousin for your words of cheer though I confess. my faith is not so strong as yours. What a sweet consolation it in to the Soldier. That Those he loves are praying for him. I too hope and pray. that the time may soon come. when I may return to my home and friends. How I long to see them all. my Cousin Juliett. "not excepted." and shall if God spares my life and health. The weather is very warm in the early part of the day. but in the afternoon we generally get a Sea-breeze. which makes it quite pleasant. We also have a delightful place for bathing. which you know is not only pleasant , and conducive to health. Give my love to all, and believe me as ever Your Sincere Cousin Milton