

Willson

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Dear Mother

It is with pleasure that I sit down to answer your kind letter which I received Friday it found me well and I hope this will find you the same we are having good times here we have nothing to do now and enough to eat such as bean soup pork bacon potatoes onions pickles dried apples rice<sup>tea</sup> coffee and hard tack I cant eat all of my rations I have got my haver sack a most full now I sold my watch I got twenty five dollars for it and now he asks forty for it but I made a bargain that if I should want to buy it back I could have it

for the same as he gave for it  
I dont know when we shall  
get our pay we musterd for pay.  
the last day of June again  
they ow me a 164 dollars  
we are getting sixteen dollars a  
month now there is not but  
~~two~~ two in the ten now a ~~you~~  
young fellow by the name of  
Joseph L Bolster There was  
two men shot on picket  
last night they are a going to  
run old Abe for president a gain  
but I think he will not be  
elected for the soldiers are all  
down on him that I haerd  
say any thing a bout him  
you may send me a dollars  
worth of stamps paper I can  
get here but it is not very  
good I dont know how ~~to~~  
long we shall stay here

I think Morris has got its  
hugging his grandmother in  
right good earnest has Harvey  
Wood got home I dont know of  
any thing more to write so  
good by from your son

G M H

write soon