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Dear friend it is with pleasure  
that i now take my pen in hand too  
answer your letter which i recieved  
weeks ago my helth is not very good  
to say i feel sum like going to bed  
hoping these few lines will find  
you well and happy we have had very  
dry weather but it has come ment  
too rain i think we will get sum now  
John harris has got home and i am  
glad now i woud be conted if  
the rest was home i had a present  
from John and so did mother each  
of us a new dress well deth you can  
tel ike king that Miss Chapman has  
got a ~~son~~ son in the ~~2~~ 2<sup>nd</sup> vetran  
cavalry his name is Morris gilbert  
Chapmans big daughter <sup>is</sup> goes too almost  
every soldier ~~at~~ and sends her  
a photograph Joseph roulant is home  
on a furlough of twenty days he has  
inlisted for five years we have heard  
from Morris and Clint they ar in

alabamma they ar forty miles  
a parte Clint ses he has got  
another down there & i am glad he has  
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Mariah rowland went to the forth  
with gorge nelson ~~for~~ too pages corners  
i went to the forth with ezra and  
angealia harris we went to saratog  
to se a man walk a rope last night  
i had too invitation to go down too ~~my~~  
~~my~~ eyes to a party malinda morehouse  
and manda morehouse also mr lockwood  
and sum others i shant go This is the  
first Sunday that i have mist of going  
home this summerarrison rowland  
stays with mitchell yet i saw the  
landlady the other day & she was  
ever lasting good she cant soft  
soap me no she cant a cornet  
friend delh too write as the shades  
of evening is drawing near not a sound  
can i hear but the pattering of rain  
on the roof so good night pleasant dreams  
and not a wink of sleep write soon  
dont wate so long as i have if you can  
read this you will do well excuse all

sell mistakes i write a word or to  
then i go to bed

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i feel dreadful sick to day

old dad - good night