

Camp Loomis Tenn. 4th mo 1863

Dear Father Mother Brothers &
Sister.

I take the present opportunity
of writing you a few lines to
inform you how I am getting
along. I am in pretty good health
now so are most of the company
only 2 that is winter sick—
they are H. Patrem & D. Thompson
they are very sick. I rec. a letter
from home 3 or 4 days since with
some postage stamps enclosed
which informed me that
you were in good health
which I was very glad to hear.

There was an inquiry in it
concerning Willy Estes I stated
in a letter I wrote some time
ago that he had went to the

Hospital at Holly Springs and
was sent from there either to
Memphis or Jackson Tenn. and
has not been heard from since
I think it is likely he has
died, though I hope not if
that be the case the company
officers should have been
informed of it as they are
generally in such cases if
I hear any thing of him I
will inform you of it.

Jacob Greeson who was in the
Hospital at Memphis died
some 2 weeks ago and the
captain was informed in
a few days. our company
is still on picket east of camp
about a mile. I feel I shall
go out this evening and stay
with them. the weather is very
nice now it rained a little
yesterday but not enough to

make it muddy. The
Reg was called out twice
last night by the firing of
the pickets but it was a false alarm
both times. I rec. a daily gazette a
few days ago but it was somewhat
old, papers do not come to us as quick
as letters I do not see why either.

They need not be at any trouble about
them. Holaway files but if they has a
chance to get some any time send
them there is no hurry for them. The
provision that was made up at Mooreville
has not arrived yet, we draw potatoes
every few days now, but had never done
so till lately. we have no news of any
movements of the Army at present
it seems that the Vicksburg
affair is about to play out, about
as I expected. I have nothing more
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write often.

Your wellwishing Son, John Mills,

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