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Grand Junction Tenn March 6

Brother Charles & Amos.

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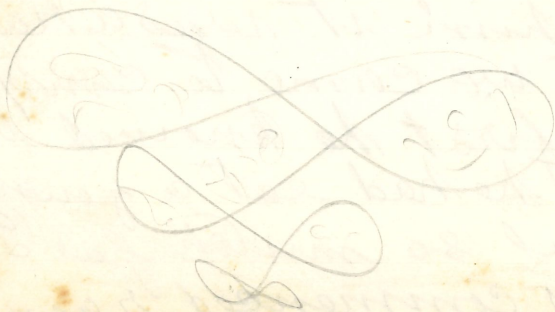
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Tom cooked it and the
boys took a little bit apiece
and Tom pitched into it
and eat a feast of squirrel
as he thought, but the boys
told him it was a rat
after we came to camp
the first he knowed but
what he had eat a young
squirrel so much for Tom,
it has commenced raining
and looks like it will
rain considerable. well
boys I am some tired
so I will fix my bed and
take a nap if I can,
be good boys and mind
mother.

Your Brother John Mills.

I write soon
and a long letter
John.

To Charles & Amos.



Grand Junction, Tenn March 6th /63 (March 6, 1863)

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I will write you a few lines and put in with my other letter. I received thy letter. Charles today I was glad to get another letter from thee. I am not very well now but so I am about all the time. Our company is put on picket to night I did not go as I had to bad a cold to be out. All the troops around here were reviewed by Gen. Denver today it was a very nice sight the boys said I did not go over to where they were. I like to hear about the stock and things about home tell more next time I want thee to write longer letters and let Amos write some to if he wants to. It is half past 7 oclock at night the drums are beating for roll call. I will tell you the kind of a bed I have. I spread an oil cloth down on the ground and lay my overcoat on it and have my knapsack for a pillow and then cover with my blanket it is not very soft but I have got used to it. The drumers beat, all around the rosy bush the monkey chased the weasel &c. a bit ago. The other day when our company was on picket some of the boys caught a big rat and skined it nice while Tom Poe was gone out somewhere and when he came back some of the boys told him they had killed a young squirrel and he must cook it and they would have it for supper. Tom cooked it and the boys took a little bit apiece and Tom pitched into it and eat a feast of squirrel as he thought but the boys told him it was a rat after we came to camp the first he knowed but what he had eat a young squirrel so mutch for Tom. It has commenced raining and looks like it will rain considerable. Well boys I am some tired so I will fix my bed and take a knap if I can, be good boys and mind mother.

Your Brother John Mills