

Gettysburg - Thu 4<sup>th</sup> mo 30<sup>th</sup> 1864

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you need not quit writing to me if I  
don't write for you frequently. get mail when we  
are on the move. Our well wishes for John H. Miller

Scottsboro Ala 4<sup>th</sup> mo. 30<sup>th</sup> 1864

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Your wellwishing son John H. Mills