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Roswell Ga 7<sup>th</sup> mo. 16<sup>th</sup> /64 (July 16, 1864)

## Honored Parents Brothers & Sister

The oportunity is once more offered for me to write you a few lines to inform you of my welfare. My health is reasonably good I have not had the aguw since the last of February the health of the boys that are with the camp is pretty good I have heard nothing from those that are back at the hospital. The last letter that I wrote wee were in our works on the left of our lines south west of Marietta since then wee have marched to this place some 15 miles distant. Roswell is a small town on the west bank of the Chattahoochee River it is a small country town consisting of near a dozen fine dwellings owned by some wealthy persons there was several extensive cotton factories here they also made a lot of work for the confederacy wagons shoes and so these works were burned by our forses some two weeks ago there was a lot of provisions stored here that wee destroyed; our cavailry burned the factories and stores before the main force got here. There has but two corps crossed the river viz. the 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> at this place wee left the 17<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> near the river where the enemy crossed, they may have crossed somewhere else since. Wee have orders to be ready to march in the morning early where I can't tell, the Chattahoochee is a considerable river it is about 200 yards wide but not very deep there is considerable bluffs on each side and but little bottoms. I have had no letters for several days the last one was written by Mother & Charles. It has been extreamly warm here for sometime it was very hard on the men marching as wee came around here there was a lot of straglers. Wee saw Vinsent Carter as wee came through Marietta he has shiped a lot of Sanitary stores down there and is staying there, I had a fine bate of black berrys as wee came to this place they were very plenty but the army soon cleaned them out. Wee have been throwing up breast works since wee came here I presume there will be a force left here to quard this crossing. It has been reported that our forces were in Atlanta but I do not credit the report though I don't think they aim to fight at the city.

I have nothing more to write this time, please write often You wellwishing Son John Mills.