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Honored Parents Brothers & Sister.

This cool sabath morning I will endeavor to write you a few lines to inform you how I am getting along. My health is pretty good—the health of the company is generaly good. There has 7 of our boys who were prisoners got back viz. Green Williams Donovan Ray Rains Hardwick Linthicum. Poe Heiner Bray & Frances are still in the hands of the rebs they were taken farther south maby to be exchanged at some other point. Part of the boys that have returned are quite weak and Rains who was sick when he was taken is not very poor and has a bad cough they are about getting him a furlow he will probably start home in a few days, you have often read of the horrors of prison life in the hands of the rebels and their account compares with the accounts that I have seen in the papers very well. Wee have got our new camp pretty well cleaned up and are ready to moove again if wee do as wee have been for sometime—but mayby wee will be allowed to remain here awhile. It is quite cold here this morning. The first cool weather wee have had here but wee may expect it to be colder after this. Our mails is very small I have not received a letter from home for over two weeks the most of the boys are in the same fix. Shinny has resigned and is going to start home tomorrow he don't intend to be shot at any more and as he has the power he is going to leave us let him rip I say he don't do any special good here true he serves for the purpose of drawing his money for times what better men get per month is payed him, I have nothing particular against the man and nothing to say for him, his successor will not be the choise of the company (if there is another appointed) it will be Gilbert or Russie. I prefer Russie of the two I think the men would get more favors from him than Gilbert, it is near inspection I will guit for awhile. Inspection is over and I will try and pen a few more lines. The Army here is being reorganized our division (the fourth) has been put in the first and second, and the transportation is being repaired I cant see how the Army can go mutch farther into the confederasy as the line of communication is now very long and to lengthen it the distance wee would to reach any important point south of here looks to like it would be rather critical to depend upon but Sherman is a splendid General and a moove planed by him will be pretty sure of success I can't tell whether wee will launch out soon on a fall campaign or not if there is a fall campaign it must commense soon for the weather will soon be bad. There is occasionly a rumor comes around that Indiana soldiers are to go home to vote it was all the go for awhile but has nearly played out, wee will soon know for wee would have to start in a few days if wee were to go. Wee have not heard wheather the draft has gone off in Indiana or not I suppose if the quota is not filled it will have to be sometime soon. It is quite a dry place here for business of any kind the cars come down here once and awhile but don't bring mutch but soldiers. I have written once this week so I will not write any more at present I will send this by Shining if he gets of tomorrow.

Give my respects to Friends and relations,

As ever Jno. H. Mills.