

Near Atlanta Geo
Sunday Aug 21 /64

Dear Brother, I received
your letter last night dated
August 7. and was glad to
hear from you and the rest
of the family, but it takes
a long while to get here
my health is poor now but
I am in hopes I shall be
like myself again soon. I
have had the dysentery, wh
itch I have been a doctoring
for a few days back I
have got as poor as an old
horse that has been work
most to death but I am not
a going to do much untill I
get stronger I suppose you wou
ld like to know how the war
progresses in front but I cant

<sup>shell
wound</sup>
(in letter) you mutch except now we could gobble Johnson
in the center where our Army up in twenty four ho
Corps is we have not had any us but our army is so red
fights in the center since I ed so now that Sherman
last wrote you there is shir is afraid to make any bold
mishing going all of the time move now that is the way I
the whole length of the army look at it but there will
night and day with cannon have to be something done soon
ading, and musketry from ten for our army cant remain so
to so wounded go past where long melchers Battery in our
I am every day to the Hospital. Brigade have been firing hat
from our corps besides the si what for a few days back but
cky that is carried back to I dont know as he has set any
the Hospitals our Army is mel buildings afire or not we
ting away fast if we dont ha have got one Rodman gun that
ve help from the north soon t weighs ~~3000~~ 543 lbs three thous
we shall have to act on the nds five hundred and eighty three
Defensive most four ^{months} we have lbs which sends the shell in
been on this campaign and have to town just ware they want
had to under go more hardsh them our regiment has not
ips and privations than you lost over twenty in killed and
little dream of if we only had wounded I think we are very
fifty thousand troupes here fortunate so far Rebels shell

come over, where the cooks
are a cooking, one solid shot hit
the breastworks and, Bounded and bur-
ck a bunk the niggers had about
twenty feet ~~more~~ ^{more} we look for
the company hit one nigger on the
shin, an then took another nigger
in the back as he was sitting on
the ground but it did not kill
neither one of them there is not
a day passes but Rebel shells burst
over where the cooking for the Re-
giment is, some and sometimes the Bul-
lets will come past your skirt
I wonder there is not more killed
in the rear than there is the
re is know fadging them but enough
of this I received the Tribune the
same time I got your letter I ag-
ree with you as regards the
newspapers, I think the Chicago
journal gooder the best, I am
not so much of an abolitionist
as I was before the war, for now
I know more about them they
think themselves Bigger than a
Brigadier General now most
of them and they are very sa-
vegy and they would get knock
down if the soldiers was not in
power to strike one if you do
you are put under arrest and go
to the guard house

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as regards my money
that is in Coddington's
hands if you can find
a place where you can
loan it out at six per
cent with security that you
know to be good you may
loan my money out for one
year and I will give you
one per cent of the interest for
your trouble I can put it
in the Boston Savings Bank in
Boston at five per cent but if
I can do as well at home and
have it safe I will do it
for if I live I must save
money enough to buy me a
home after the war the note
is two hundred and fifty Dollars
at ten per cent interest which
is due the four part of
October will be two hundred
and seventy five Dollars

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and if you ~~are~~ can find
a place let me know as
soo as you can. as regards
your pay I will pay you
out of my pay from govern-
ment some of our boys time is
out the first of October that
did not reinlist and I
shall send your money
up by one of them for it
is not safe to trust money
by mail now also some
for my children I will
send you power of Atorney
now soon so everything
will be all strait with
beddington cant you get me
a comb fine one side come the
ather side and put it in a new
spaper and send it to me Char-
ley use to have a plug of tab-
acco come in a newspaper wo-
nce a week some of the time
I must now close hoping the
time I write I shall feel all
wright so your Byes
C. H. Hatch