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Dear Brother I would
now address a few lines to
you since I last wrote to
you five dollars has slip
through my fingers in try-
ing to get one that was due
me I lost four dollars more
but I may possibly get it
next pay day so I will
say no more about it I
will send you twenty
dollars in this letter by
express and the other five
I will keep for my own
expenses until I can
draw some more. of the
twenty dollars you can take
enough to buy a young
new milks cow with a calf
and keep it the same as

I wrote in my last letter only Josephine & Ella shall own the cow together I am a going to try and send my overcoat and one of my blankets home some time next week for some of the rest of the soldiers we sent theirs we have war m wether down here now but cool nights I have no thing interesting to write about Corinth now we are about building up some shanties out of shakis to answer for Boards there is four or five men detailed out of a camp any days now to go and get them out there was and and we came a few days ago to have some regiments mounted the 9 Ills had to take mules for they could not get anything else to ride but these mules make poor business in marching I should hate to have them in a fight but we are ablige to keep some mounted Infantry to protect our teams when out a foraging for we have no to get barely enough for scouting and and watching the guerillas I will put this money and letter in the express office tomorrow for it may be several days before I get and answer to my other letter from you so please answer this as soon as you can
convently yours
S H Hatch