

The
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der Martha I take the opportunity of writing
you a few lines to let you know that I am well at
present hoping when you get these few lines that may
find you all enjoying the same blessing I receive your
letter that you sent by Captain Hall I was glad to hear
from you at all times I was sorry to hear that the
dog had killed your sheep I was glad to hear that your
piggies was so likely you either have them or had some
I think I can either find that getting I am very glad
that Sum person used to that I am don't please too
dear Sir them horses I may come back again and
want them we have plenty to eat it is very sometimes
we have at the same place yet keep talking about being
going down river Washington City great talk of a battle soon
that I don't seem to excite us much we hear cannon firing
yetuddy has not heard from them yet dice hall is better
mose walker and elie mahan wilson Stokes is very
bad indeed want cloth while for to write for us to come home
for we can't get a well fur low now our Captain can't
get one for his self I don't think he has men over him six
men can get furlous we will come as soon as we can
I have as money close as I can to a march at this
time I will want sum money close after a while it will
rite when you get the cloth ready how to cut them
out R. P. Gregory went to the Junction today to get his box
while he was gone a nuther wagon broke the box
it had one bucket with sum potatoes Sage Salt bag bread to bake
great too heads cabbage peaches was spilt and spilt the
bread most of it and ~~the~~ enclosed the tobacco all was good
but they don't send no more peaches I was in hope of sum
money we was glad to get the box with a plenty
of salt here I have not heard from John S. Ganes yet
I would be glad to hear from him now

farther you mus get Wilson T to hal your tobacco
to Lynch ~~log~~ for we cant come we ar plast in her
meny thousands is plast we hope we wil doo
no good than if we had staid at home we mus not
gvere now take er ny thing er y and far i hope we
all wil come home af ter a while I must cum
to close nothing more to write at present you must
write some as you get this I would like to see my Ma
Call Gals ~~the~~ John H Gregory to be a good boy tel
papi gets home of B Gregory of Martha of Gregory

I like to for get the bag of eggs I that i would not
see tha was in the box i that i may
sum body had broke it open a pece of the ~~cell~~
was split of

too dark to write any more
more this time