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Dear Mother & Sister
I shall be able to
come out and
make a visit
this winter

Now the reason
of going ~~down~~
from one state
to another with
the expectation
of bettering
your self

much is all in
your eye
you will find
you have got
some things
to learn very
time you change
your location

you will find
11 cents a letter
to learn you are
an apt scholar
of good luck in
your studies

Dear Brother & Sister

Yours of the 17th Inst

was duly received, I will delay no time
in answering it. I supposed your last
letter had been answered or I would of
wrote to you before,, I was glad to
hear from you and to know that you
was all well as this leaves us at
present I know what it is to be
sick I have had the Chills and Fever
for about one year I had the last
Chill the day Squaw Osborn started
for York State, I hope I may have
no more if I do I think I shall
leave this state I am living on a
farm that I have rented within half
a mile from the City of Manassas I am
very comfortably situated where I be

but I expect to move in two or three days about ten miles from here I expect to better myself of course or I would not do it I am going in the Saw Mill that Samuel Allen got killed in a short time ago I have gone in partnership with a man and bought the property there dont seem to be much money in any kind of business here for the last two years I would like to know if it is as bad everywhere I wish the Republican party were out of existence "I think it is all their fault when I first come down here there was a very good chance to make money but times have considerably changed it is a hard matter to get hold of a dollar here now I should judge by the tone of your letter that Square Osburn is back to Mecklenburg he promised to write as soon as he got through but I have not heard from him yet I did not expect he would

go to Mecklenburg when he left there
he said he would be gone three or four
weeks but if he has got back to Meck
I think it very doubtful if we see him
any more here please let me know
if he has got back to live with his
wife He has been living with us
ever since he has been here
He was very much liked could of
done well to stay, I would like
to know what he would like to
have done with his letters there
is several in the Office for him
also if he intends to come back
so that I would know what to do
with the Office Give him my best
respects if you see him Tell him that
I have had no Chill since the day
I left him in Alexandria and
that if he dont come back according
to promise they intend to send a guard
of Marines after him I was glad
to hear that Billy Levertts folks

as apt to think or speak
 of good such in your
 state as
 anywhere
 will be
 facilities
 is the best
 excellent
 has certain
 friends of
 business
 but I don't
 think is
 The best
 I have had
 a good many
 than I have
 ever seen
 yet I am
 glad to hear
 is so well
 expect the
 could take
 she always
 has I have
 not got very
 many yet
 here to all
 good the
 while seen
 outwards
 as follows

are getting along so well give my
 love to them I have never heard
 a word from them since I came
 down here except through you
 I forget whether I have ever wrote
 to them or not I have had a good
 deal on my hands to see to the most
 of the time since I have been here
 and have trusted to Ann to do the
 writing so I am afraid that it has
 not been very well attended to Give my
 love to all of them you said nothing
 about Mary Anne what has become
 of her is she married yet I have
 got three fine boys the youngest is
 17 months old two of the boys Willie
 and Walter go to school steady
 Willie is a splendid scholar for his age
 one of the best spellers out of one hundred
 scholars for his age



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