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Camp Near Culpepper

Jan the 14th 1864

Dear Wife I now seat my
self to write a fiew lines to you
to let you kno that I am well
and have not forgotten you
I am sorry that your health is
so poor. I hope this will
finde you all well I have
had two letters from you cince I
have written any to you the reason is
I have not had time to write I
have been on duty Day and night
for a long time I am sorry that
our relation is so poor that they
cant get time to cut a little wood
for you and wate a little while for
their pay I am willing to pay
them by the Chord for cuting your
wood try and hire sum one to
cut your wood and not Slave yourself

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to death trying to cut your oan
wood this coalde winter Catharine
if I had have known that it was
going to cause you so much trubble
I never should have sent for the
box I had to much faith in my
friends I supposed that it would
be a pleasure to them to help you
to send me a box I have made
calcolations on the gloves and Suspenders
and Camphoir gum to kill lice
with, or I would not you to send
the box seeing it is going to make
you so much trubble I am as bad off

as fair handed and I cannot buy
a good pair of Buckskin gloves here
short of four Dollars a pr.
tell me if you got the letter that
I sent in with Charles to his
folkes or Our folkes if you can
send the box send it as soon you
can Charles is looking for a box
from home

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I will tell you a little about
our Soldiering we have to go on
Pickett every fourth day our
Pickett line is on one side of the
river the rebs on the other we are
near enough together to shoot one
another across the river but there is not
many shots exchanged we can see
them runing around and hear
them talk and laugh and sing see
them ride down hill and they seem to
injoy them selves first rate
besides our Pickett Duty we have
guard Duty to doe and building
winter Quarters and every little
while we have to go out on a skout
sum times we have to ride all night
and all the next day stay one night
in Camp and then on pickett again
so you see I cannot get much time
to write we ame in from pickett
this after noon good night
Daniel Hall to [Cas?]