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Descriptive Summary

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William Pinkney Cline Papers, 1862-1892

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Abstract

William Pinkney Cline was a smith from Catawba County, N.C., who joined the Confederate Army as a private in the 46th North Carolina Infantry Regiment, also known as the Catawba Braves, on 13 March 1862. He saw action at Antietam and Fredericksburg. He deserted on 19 August 1863, returning on 28 September 1863. After a stay in the guardhouse, he returned to duty in the spring of 1864 and was killed in action at the Wilderness on 5 May 1864. The collection consists of letters William Pinkney Cline wrote to his wife during the Civil War while he served with the 46th North Carolina Infantry Regiment of the Confederate Army from 1862 to 1864. The letters discuss camp conditions, the movements of Cline's unit, news of other soldiers from his area, brief descriptions of the action that he saw at the battles of Antietam and Fredericksburg, as well as descriptions of his time in the guardhouse after his return from desertion and the execution of three other deserters from his unit. Also included are several post-war letters from family members to Smith's wife and a photograph of Cline in uniform.

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Biographical Note

William Pinkney Cline was a smith in Catawba County, N.C. He joined the Confederate Army on 13 March 1862, becoming a member of Company K, 46th North Carolina Infantry Regiment, also known as the Catawba Braves. At the time of his enlistment, he was 27 years of age and had a wife, Mary Cline, and four children. Cline saw action at Antietam on 17 September 1862 and was present or accounted for with his unit until he deserted on 19 August 1863. Cline returned from desertion on 28 September 1863 and was held under arrest through February 1864. He returned to duty in March-April 1864. He was killed at the battle of the Wilderness, 5 May 1864.

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Collection Overview

The papers of William Pinkney Cline are composed of letters written to his wife during the Civil War while he served with the 46th North Carolina Infantry Regiment of the Confederate Army from 1862 to 1864. The letters discuss camp conditions and military life, the movements of Cline's unit, news of other soldiers from his area, brief descriptions of the action that he saw at the battles of Antietam and Fredericksburg, as well as descriptions of his time in the guardhouse after his return from desertion and the execution of three other deserters from his unit. Also included are several post-war letters from family members to Smith's wife, Mary Cline, and a photograph of Cline in uniform.

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Photograph (P-5019/1)

Detailed Description of the Collection

William Pinkney Cline Papers, 1862-1892.

About 50 items.

Arrangement: chronological.

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William Pinkney Cline, in uniform, undated

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WILLIAM
PINKNEY CLINE
PAPERS

1862

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W^o Wa we County Connemara

April 14 1862 I take my

pen in my hand to set you now.

that i am well i hope these few
lind^s may find you the same i recived
your letter 14 i was glad to here from

you i wold like to see you all tell
berkham and jame^s and elien and
robert i wont them all to be good boys
tis i dont now when i will get to com
home the only let too of the Connemara
at th^t time i will come as soon as i

can i want you to remember me on
tel deth life is on ~~the~~ sorten ther
is too drige almost ever day here
and i dont now how gone my time
will come you out to me like you
diden care much abo^t lose me^y i did not
rite them lige to you i will write my
one letters my self after this i dont
now what the put in my letter if you
get mad fore that i cannot hepe that

W^o P Cline to M^o Cline

you wanted to now what me i was in
i can hardly tell you there is so many in
at mess & f huit a huit & huit & huit
& goomon of Parker & Parker of georg
& Prof W Prof C geter h Parker
& miller P Colle and W Pline
We have got at nuse to eat & here
bacon rice shuger some dry trout
i want to now how you ex formen i
wood like to be alive i hope that i
will get alive some time if i dont
i want you to remember mey on
tell dech i have nothing more to write at
dis time i must come to a close by
saying to you write to mey i cannot
tell you how i liked it i want to
now if you have got any bodies staying
with you you did not say anything
about it i want to now if & huit is
plowing here you i have no gote
any money nite H W Pline to
Mr G Pline

At W. Wake conty. Camgum
apile 14 1862 je. roly.
dear ~~far~~ farerlaw i take my pen in
& my hand to let you now that i
am well i hope that these fine lind
may find you in the same health
i wood as june b & at home doing
plants but i dont ~~not~~ now when
i will doo dat CD gave i wont you
to Joseph Leece of mey 75 cents i
want you to git dat lawson prop
see mey 50 cents & John Loyd
of mey 25 cents i want you to git
it fore of mey if you please.
nothing more at present i
must come to a close by
saying write to mey tell
mey all the nuse the boys
had a note nasty letter far mey
after dis i will write ~~to~~ my one
letter i ~~not~~ i note dis letter
my self w Pline to
mister John rabbit

i want you to have my some info -
here it is hard to get here i would
send you some stamp but charles is
none here i expect dice will be
some here this week i will
send you some as soon as i can
lawson wilson will be at home
next saturday i want you to send
it with him if you please dat
into a specie she will git ~~in~~ going
money this week if i do
will send some with lawson
for i dont now when i will
git home my self no more at
present remember ~~to~~ me you
tell deth right youer letter
to roby campmagan 46 regiment
in the care of captain boott
of W P Cline to old C Cline

i want to now if you can read this

[1862]

Mc April 19 1861 campmngem

46 regiment in the same
dear miss i take my pen in my hand
to let you now that i am well i hope
that dese few lounds comes to hand
may find you all the same i recived
your letter the 19 i wrote you last mand
i will send you 40 dolars in dis letter
by lawson wilson i wont you not open
more of it and you can help tell j come
home i will come aye sunas i can git
out i was glade to heare frome you
all i hope that the lord will bless
men and the white may and when
i com home i will hug you and
kiss you i must come to alope nothen
more at presen tell mat gamnit
that i saw too of her letters red
i was mitoy lower to him send you er
letter to the same place W P Cline to

W P Cline

I got fifty dollars at this time
i will keep ten dollars of it
for i dont know when i will
git any more i want to now
if you got that letter that
i sent last monday. i sent
it long before i would like for
you to git it i will send you
some stamps in dis letter
i got a letter from Woodbine
april 14 he was well ~~and~~
tell ~~me~~ par that i am
well tell him to write to
me if

Ad water country
only campionum

Abortion and James and
elien and roberard tell them
all to be good boys

[1] 16th Natchez County Camp meeting

ct. April 28 1862

dis fate i think what we can kill
 & the Yankees will do i think that
 i will get to com home to sleep with
 you next winter you fed you not
 stronger see mey then the money i
 not as good see you as you was mey
 O live with us the rale people about
 fifty yards from it i see lots of
 men go in one to the armory over
 last then the tunnel says that
 obtrunk he sell dan in the street
 and the dont want use Colored
 & drop o cast got math to drink
 i used like to have a dream some
 times i can't get run over i have
 split once more i have got in
 our mes now i must come to close
 my eyes remember mey or tell
 death ride to mamy as you
 as dis comes to hand
 W Poline to clarify Ooline

obter miss take my pen in my
 hand to let you now that i am
 well hope when they find lindly
 may find you all will i regard
 you're better dis morn i was glad
 to hear that you was all +
 well laison willson got home
 dis morn he said he sawing
 and he got book full of small
 & late i will like to see you
 and hisi i will send you them
 nives and jackets as youes i can
 git them i will git my liness
 as youes i can git its taken
 i used as youes see dire my self as
 to send my liness i don't no
 to when i will git to come bout i can
 tell you that i will go as youes as
 i get the chance i want you to rase
 all the caree that you can i hope
 that i will get to com home

it fee directly to
blackson Cline and
James Cline when Cline
relocated Cline i think
that the still cause it
dat of course we
did not get my eggs
eggs and chicken and
lived there you must
send em to without
some woodsy come with
it i must come to et
close quite to me if

It's Cline to murchison
et's where to camp
mangum in the caise
of caption lost 76 regime
me

if you kindly be willing
that John summit

i take my pen in my hand to
let you now that i am will happen
when they the birds come to hand
may find you in the same health
i send you my best respects to
i have yet plenty to eat
eat small and weaker and rise
and page day but i can tell
you that its day take lots
for our taniel o hale got
it large & famel i can
tell you that i dont like the
place too good i think i can't
say where em up he man can
say i must come to et close
by saying will be mesas
game you can go

The J. G. Cline
John summit
C. V. P. winter Co.

16th Wake Co April 30 1862

my dear wife i take my pen
in my hand to let you now
that i am well and i hope
when they are kindly going to
hand may find you all well
i want you to go to merton
and git ~~me~~ my map sack
and keep it the is one
blanket and one sheet
one piece of slips it is a
good bed blanket it is rain
here the day it is hard on
us when it rains i wish
to be at home when it
rains when it is clear we
can also prime i have not
got nothing new to write to
you soon if you will when
do you see remember me
write to me soon
W^r Cline to dear Cline

i want you to tell my
mey how you for gotten
along i reciter that the
~~I fathen sumnit is mad~~
~~it~~

i have not got nothing
more to write at present
i wrote you one letter
last monday i remembred
me on tell deth
i will send you my
likeness as sure as i
can git to go to rials
it is cold rain here

W^o C. wa^{ld} to camp
mangun

in the face of
Captan west 4 p.m.

W^o C. V

& W^o C. eline to be C. eline

W^t wife to campmanggam

[2]

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May 3 1862

dear wife i take my pen in
my hand to tell you now that
i am well and i hope when
these fine kinds come to hand,
may find you all well i can
tell you that we will leave
this place next thursday
i am going to gallure i expect
i will not stay there i reckon
i will go to richmond the
expect to take slave i don't
recon that i will get to com
home if we dont never
meat in dis world i hope
to meat you in et better
world but i nod like to
see you all wont more
if i dont i wont you do
remembur mey on tell
deth they was a thosen lett
W P Cline to Harry Cline

here the day dare no
do look the karge was full
bouth time i will send you
my libness to you with
nelson wetherspoon i want
you to git it i now that
you like it if you like mey
for it looks like mey i
six fare dolars and .50
cents fare it ~~it~~ i want
you to send mey some
liber if you can it any
body come from there you
needen to send it with
out & sombody come with
it once i will not git
it the water is bad
here and mey it
will git more water done
there W P Cline to H Cline

There is lots of sickness
here
there was forty sick in
one night here i can
tell you when it man
sige here daier not ~~look~~^{at}
at no more then at ~~look~~^{at} doa
tell all my friends hody
fare my fare i dont
now wherever i will ever
git to see them any more
or not i dont you to
~~for~~ pray for me and
all over us all and you
self remember your
friend wild you live
i must come to apologize
by saying rite to me
as you you can i
i wold like to fee bited
when one time more
W P Cline to ob C Cline

i got a letter from
h Q gummit may first
day he was well he
sed day was on visit
garden and saw some
yankees he sed the sun
be hind the bresle from
dem. i want you to
go to newton and
get my kerpit bag it
is at lanson friz
it has got one kerpit bed
blanket in it one sheet
one pace of slipp day
er some that i drode
i will tell you if i was at
home one time et gane i
wold stay dire five thousand
dolars wold not take me
et way from dire
W P Cline to ob C Cline

N.C.

Camp near goldsbor

May 9 1862

dear wife it is with pleasure
that i drop you a few
lines to let you now that
i have got real well and
i hope that the feint kind
may find you all in good
health i got your letter
that you are well and i
was glad to hear that you
was all well that was the
first i have got in a long time
i dont know why
you dont write we got our
box dug now and i was glad
to quit it we are too
far from goldsborough
along the winson ridge

but we will not stay
here long i think that
we will go on to old
for virginia i dont
want to go back dire
if i can help it you
said i must come
to st. clare

Mr. W. P. Gline
to George Gline

No camp neare gold bore
may 9 1862 46 regiment

dear miss it take my pen
in hand to let you now
that i am well and i
hope when these true
lindy come to hand may
find you all in good
health i got my kepet
gash & pigs and eggs
i was mtry fond of them
we dont git to many
goodes here i never
got them eggs that you
sent with suit day
tride not got here
yet i want you to have
my pigs spade all of
them for the ~~—~~ must make
youer market it hope that
i will git home tell
told W G Cline to do C Cline

As i heard that Paney
hant wof gift i dont
now what you will do if
the cant pay you will
hepted try to do the
best you can i want you
to send me it draw
with bank geter

if you please you can git
it from maied tell
him that i cant git
any draw by reat
if \$1 dol and 50 sent
drawant tell can and
make that can will
i have got nothing
new to write at this
time remember my dear
dear husson on tell
deth and i will remember
you i now H P Cline
to deary Cline

CW P goldilocks May 29 1862

46 regiment company
my dear wife i take my
pen in my hand to set
you down what i am told
indeed and a true when they
say kindly comes to hand
may find you all in good
health i regard you & friend
Lester this morning and it gave
me much joy i got my
litter you said that sparkle
had not given her with you
you tell him if he said that
he is etc here let him to
stay away from my place
if he does say to you it is
about you to let me now
it all this i can scarce do
think that deir will be
southern and best etc may
left to kill him then.

i come home i will give
him one look he will better
know in the world then to
be without see if he has been
etc down nashville all his life
i dont want you to let him
take away of my things if
the dog i will kill him right
as soon as he is to man
if i am kindly please you i
wrote you to let me now
it is about ever body had
to do one business if da dont
i will kill him when i
com home if deir is dat
& much harder and look
to see good i hoped that
i will get home again
time come if i dont i
want you to remember my
directed date and i will see

membrane you if i could
get to give you all one
time it gave i stock you
one hundred dollars but
i hope that the time
is comin that i will
get to give you it again
i want you to try and
have my heath good
if you can when i com
home i will tell you
all about this things
the ex muten all the
yankees poison right

home i do that he
will make page too
tote longe if the dont
i woud like to see the
heath heat it going of the
heat i will kept you
some one beside i stock

to you tell him as et
yankey you can tell i
for he yummie that i
stood garde up in old fane
compe one night when it
rained all night yesterday
that i think of home when
i have not been rite well
since i am so wefer a fat
hardly git et long but i
hope that i will get better
in et few days i magt
come to close you must
far give my head writer
i wont go to rite as
sun as day to day to hand
when do you see some
miserable and i will you
not go alone to
the chary & alone

Richmond via Decatur Illinoia

June 3 1863

dear wife i take my pen in
my hand to tell you now what
i am will happen when the
four birds come to hand may
find you all well i can tell
you that we was made up
to the edge of the battle field
but when i got there the
was about sixteen men &
and i was the last to strike
too miles and drove i struck
all night and then the next
day i went back to stone
and i took the stems boat
and went down the river.
i wrote fifteen miles the have
got the farms planted all
it along the river banks
i don't think that the
yanks can get to us here

Richmond Decr 1st 1860

June 3 1860.

dear wife i take my pen in
my hand to tell you now what
i am will happen when the s
sun rises going to hand may
find you all well i can tell
you that all was made up
to the edge of the watered field
but when i got there the
was about steeper than i
and i was only taught to walk
two miles and since i stade
all night and then the next
day i went back to stone
and i took the same road
and went down the river
i wrote seven miles the were
got the fashion planted all
it long the river banks
i dont think that the
yanches can get to us here

Richmond, Va October 10th

June 3 1863.

dear wife i take my pen in
my hand to write you now that
i am in proper situation &
you kindly permit me hand may
find you all well i can tell
you that we were made up
to the edge of the water fast
but when i got down the
ice broke & open fifteen ft.
and we took boat & rowed
two miles and drove it back
all night and then the next
day 29 went back to town
and i took the steam boat
and went down the river to
the lower falls miles & made
out the farms planted all
it along the river bank
i don't think that the
Yankees can get to us here

but i er. looken of for
the m eber minit i er ready
for them at a every time
i never made what haide
stemes was tel now i er
giten face forfthering of day
you may yes that will
i dont think that did
naire fear hold long if
it dos si well all peres
i cant write safe to you
What i have saw it a good
fee you a good tell you more
in one day and i can write
to you in et. where bout
i dont now when i will
git to see you i have gived
the liger chartes and i
am doasen leeter and i
hope that you er doasen go
too and i never meet

in dis world i hope
that i will meet in et
leeter world i have not
engaged no letter safe
leapto com i want to know
if you got my leeter
i haide rote ~~to~~ and i
have got mun i want
you to write to ~~me~~ man
i want to hear from you
one time more i dont
now how you i will git
in et doated and i dont
now if i will git there
safe or not but i hope
and trust to the lord
and fees feighe to gare
mey i heard that
markwiz thait said that
is went in all the huster
huzed and i heade that

but i am lookeen ~~at~~ for
them all minit & am ready
for them at every time
i never made what he ride
times was till now i am
gten fare foraphere of day
you may yes think i lie
i dont think that did
we can hold long if
it dos it will all peris
i cant write safe to you
that i have giv if i good
fee you i good tell you where
in one day and i can write
the same in it where we are
i dont now when i will
get to see you i have gived
the liger charles and i
am done leeter and i
hope that you are done so
too and if i never meet

in dis world i hope
that i will meet in et
leeter world i have not
engaged no letter send
lupto com i want to know
if you got my leeter
i have wrote ~~to~~ and i
have got man i want
you to write to ~~my~~ men
i want to hear from you
one time more i dont
now how you i will git
in. i docted and i dont
now if i will git there
safe or not but i hope
and trust to the lord
and fees feafe to give
men i heard that
marking the last gade that
i went in still the higer
liger and before gade that

he is a little every time
 that he tells that i don't
 tell you that i think to my
 self at times dat i think
 more of my self and to
 do the like of that i
did not come here for the
 like of that i hope that you
 won't believe him for you know
 that he will tell lies so
 much come to Tage remember
 never say any thing on tall
 dat he a nape now will do that
 Direct your letter to Practice Po
 in Chesterfield County
 in the State of N. C.

W. P. Ellings or Mary Ellings

I will send you a long
 letter

He is a true & honest man
 - what she tells that I can
 tell you that I think my
 self at least did I think
 more of my self and to
 see the like of that I
~~did not~~ ever before seen the
 like of that I hope that you
 won't believe him for you must
 that he will tell lies so
 much come to a close remember
 your dear husband on tell
 death a hope you will do that

I sent your love to Precious Po
 in their field translate
 in the like of it &

W. Phillips by Mary C. Elyne

I will send you it going
 back in his letter

leade downing here we ever
spotteden at batal here ever
day as wod as gune fitte as to
stay here we liv like dogs
not haue mutre to eat the
hate of our time ther haue
been fitter ever gentle it haue
been where hant we er ablate
teen miles from the batal
gound & ther is gune of our
men left all at long the rode
gun at goldbiare gun at peters
bord but therere is none didle
out of our company i must come
to offage by sayer to you write
to me remembur me onyed
deth and i will you i wod like
to give you one time more

Directe you letters to Peters Burg Vol
in care of Capt Baste the Clergy
W Gline to mary Gline N C st trans

State Oct. June the 22 1869.

Chesterfield Camp we're
having life's
dear wife i take my pen
in hand to let you now that
i am well at this time hope
when they give lands farm to
hand may find you all
well i expect you're kind
letter the 18 of June and
it gave me enough pleasure
to hear that you were all
well but when you get home
you'll better than you get home
to see me i can tell you that
i don't like to get here and
you too it will like to see a
little looks better much and
farm to be great among us

to help him to set some
tartrg for I cant get mun
here there is no ~~good~~ bodies
liven floya here for those all
gone and left there names
fore the way it made of the
yankies the yankees is in at least
nine miles of us the tide to
come up the river last Friday
last the night before noon two
men first one than went and
the went back of the mds drft
out on land dire I had to wen
in at fits water off last i dont
think that day far land dire
for I have famous place all
to long the river for a nine
miles I have been digging last
woring all day week i think that
I can get the yankees out of the
country here I dont think the
will come here

I want to now how my
sheet is good we not the
proper is at report here
and I hadnt that the
wasnt no fort value but
I hope that more will be
made sure i think that
it will all get home till
fall time if some tide
of pple and a don't of iron
back side site is made
for i now disperct enough
to let the armen as it won't
to much it water it is at
hande life to live if right
there. this time i will
never go into it no
~~water~~ this will be the
me as enough as i want
to nail it late it but i
hope i will get there safe

so i might come to
the place by going
quite gone

when do you see
remember me at memory
miles at part i see

direct your letter to
peter h. long Oct 24th
in agreement in the sale
of Captain long company
to old traps

i can't submit to wait
any more for i have
got the week trimmed
to night

it's fine to oblige fine

Oct 28th M

[1] Petersberg Oct 2nd 1862

more than you. I hope Jane & I
are getting you all news better
this morning. What glad we
would be to hear that you was all well. I am
well at this time hoping when
these fine birds come to hand
may find you still in good
health you wanted to know
whether I would go to Phillip
et lemar they would be in the shop
I told you to let no body work
in there and if you to do so
if you don't care in the cold will
be on and so i didn't you to
keep here all out. I won't
you to keep that shop before
for maybe i will get home
sometime and then my tools
will be here and if i don't
the have got no business to work

in dice it won't do you no
good to let them wash out the
stitches and get it rotten fast
them ~~go~~ you would be lost
if i needed any feather i don't
need very obij man i know i will
need some etchable fall if i did
dat long i won't et good
faffkin and a piece of pants
and i won't them back ~~is~~
all over and i wud like to
have too full red shurtz for
a fust wash they have i dont
get no soap ~~to~~ and you now
to wash them in cold water
and no soap the come white
white i hasn't got no soap
since we have been here
but its litel & tha et
fisten to day is refkken for
i don't hear the fanions

fairer its day and the day
was the time that the gale
the wind bite hard but it is at
late 8 or 10 miles from ~~home~~
as we will see at midday.
feared since about a dozen miles
that we will get in that gale
for we are beaten for the
yesterday here all day with
hires we dare to leave the
camp no further than to
go to the spring & before
we ride ~~to~~ olive ~~&~~ weather
all the time but it is like
the song of a steady boy power
fanion & make hardly and
grape shot fly so trust in
god and always stand sleep
power pocket dry the
day that we come to righmond
the wind that come in

dire now it will be to see
 if it is good will i don't
 want to see or rather
 yesterday time no more but
 if i doo heft go in to it
 i will doo still that i can
 come ~~and~~ come to st peters
 where ~~do~~ you see remember
 at many smiles of parties
~~where~~ i would like to see
 you and the children one
 time at game but i hope
 that the time ~~is~~ is coming
 that i will get home more
 time more ~~remember~~
 me on tel deth and i will
 you deserve your letters
 to petersburg 12 of 46 rigmrs
 in the face of capton ~~had~~ ~~no~~ trop
 company to "W G Cline to
 to Mary Cline

Petersburg Oct 9th 1862

Dare while i take my pen
in hand to drop you a
few lines to let you now
that i am & shall do all i
hope & when they find
friends among the hand and
friend you all well i
regard your kind letter
the 11 with much pleasure
pleaser to hear that you
was all well i have been
marched ever since last
friⁿ ~~day~~ to week i in to
the battle field i saw a lot
of dead ~~men~~ men but it
was one day too late for
the fight but then i went
down the river at ~~bottom~~
meadow and the yankees
throke theirt bows at us
but they did not hurt any
of us but the come with

close to us & all day flat to the ground but the say that the yankees is all gone back and i hope that they will stay ~~back~~ i wont you to gave my man sheet to its self to go in the bottom i want that pese all gone if it can be done i want you to break up that at is gone in dots if you can but i hope that i will get to come home dig

fall if i dont i wont you to try to go & write smart of sheet for you can rale that ever than you can come i wont you to keep all the sheet & if you pay the hands pay them the money and keep the ~~sheet~~ sheet face i will see

too high to buy flower is fifteen dollars to warble now and it will live just then that tell fall the say that the flowers has to all burn out the say that madish ~~that~~ built will git to stay at home but he is the one that aite we gone i wont to now if you have getel with John Baumgander or not i wont you to getel with ~~all~~ all of them and try to git the money for the times is to gone we harder & have come back on dis side of petersburg we close to town & and it is to nasty place for a man to stay it is too close to

tell me who and named
and when and told
that must be good by
word when i come home
i will fetch them at
petery park there
i wot like to see
you and dem all one
time more but i hope
that i will git to see
you all to gaine i think
it wot home ever affer
in the day so i must
come to it close by saying
remember your daie
this woon in ell delth and
i will you draft your
letter to petery wing
i ct in the care of
captain lost the 46 reg
M P Cline to
Mary Cline

picture living w^t camp Lee
July 17 1862
dear wife i take my pen
in hand to let you now
that i am well hope
when close friend come
to want may find you in
good health i want got
nothing new to write to
you at this time i will
send you twenty five
dolars with ~~abundance~~
shaver end i want
you to go to to one and
git it off

Co nothing more at
this time remember
youer dear husband
on tel death

W G Cline to
mary C. ~~G~~ Cline

posting during Oct camp
See July the 17 1862

dear wife i take my
pen in hand to let you
now that i am well
hope when age five lind
comes to hand may find
you all in good health i havnt
got time to write much
at dis time i will send
you steenry five dollars
with marks i shuold
in dis letter and i
wont to now how much
money you have got i wont
you to save all that you
can tell i come home
so i must come to et close
rite gone as dis comes to
hand W P Cline to
Mary Cline

[1]

putting down station of Oct

July the 25 1862

dear wife i take the pleasure to
confer your kind letter that you
rote the 20 of July i rec'd it
last night which gave me much
pleasure to hear that you was
all well and found me in good
health and i hope when those
few linds come to hand may
find you all in good health i havt
got nothing new to write at dis
time i sent my saddle & bridle
and one shurt to newton and
i want you to go and git it
for it has been in the loose all
summer i want you to make
as you can and i want it good
warm & sufficient for fall and
you can ait salm Daivis wife
to mist it to turne over

i was glad to heare that
Dr Cline was giting water
and all the ways was giting
water over faire is not very
good and the stuff is so high
the fant boy iit littel pipe
is teenty five cents apels is
50 cents et dozen chifrons
is one dolare an fifty cents
potato is 88 dolars et bushell
unes is five ments et piele
you may get that dat is
dear eaten ~~at~~ malases
is fore dolars et gallien
will send you five stamps
in dis letter that is all that
i have got at ~~at~~ dis time
but i can get more for like er
close to home i was in town the
other day and i can state to

you that it is at home
it wad make too long like
mention i have saw late
since i have left home
i told you lots if i could
see you but i still hope
that the time is come n that
we will meet at home and
if we dont meet in dis world
i hope that we will meet
in heven where we part
no more i want to now
if fane huit is gone or not
tell him to stay as long
as he can i got a letter
from calvin fline and he
dont like it at redy
but he dont now nothing
yet she is quite at home
if she made what i do see

Wad now jumpen you saddle
 that you wad like to see
 me come home but i dont
 now when i will quit to come
 i wad be as glad to see you
 as you wad me and i wad like
 to see you all so i must come
 to affage when dis you see remem
 ber me at many miles ~~it~~ part

We bee i will ~~see~~
 remain your eftestn huglow
 on the death so rite as sun
 as dis come to hand

peter being w^t t camp de
 in the face of capton west
 at the 46 regiment of P^t troops

W^t Cline to

Mary Cline

i wad like
 to sleep
 with you
 one night more

[1] Peterburg N.C. 1862
August the 10

dear wife i take my pen in hand
to let you now that i am well
hopes when they far lines come
to hand may find you all in
good health i recd your kind
letter the 7 wish you all much
pleaser to hear that you was all
well i was one a marsh all dis
week i got draft last night
I was close to the yankees I was
ready to fire on them but the
wind w^s out and the went back
i tell you that i have saw hard
times i have wrote to Mr P
summit bout i have not got
no answer yet you said that he
was living on hape ragen bout
that is nothing far i have been
desiring that for the last two months

when he come back the stade at
 the camp when i was one it
 mough sed that he was sick and
 when i got back he was gone
 before i will done that i will
 stay here but i wont to come
 as bad as any body i thought
 if i wad stay it while i wad not
 think it bout home to much
 but the longer the more i think
 it bout home i wad rather
 start home then to eat i
 am tider of this place iff
 you dont see no more pleasure
 in dis world and i drew you
 dont see enough far i wad as sune
 we ded as to live in dis way but
 i hope and pray to the lord dis
 woure will stop and i will all
 quit home one time more to
 stay dire so when ever

you said that you wanted to get
 the old mare and you want to now
 what i wad take for her i cant
 tel you that you sed her and get for
 her what you can you now that
 you cant git much for her but
 i want you to keep the bolt i can
 tel you that abarke huit wad not
 come to me my tent he never
 spoke to me nothing only body he
 looks like a sheep killing dog
 doth landed last wednesday he
 said that you wanted me to
 come home but i cant git no
 fellow iff i good i wad come for
 i wad like to be dire to go to
 the camp meetin but i dont
 see eny chance for me to come
 with out i wad die like winfie
 boyd run of way and i want
 den that the will give him the devil

i rec'd your letter that you
 wrote in june got it last week
 it was a long time on the
 road you scarce that game and
 lame ~~so~~ did give the lame
 horse better care in the
 arney for all the good she is
~~so~~ deviling dice so i must
 come to a close saying remember
 your old huzboun on tel
 death and i will you
 write june as sif coming to
 hand

petersburg Oct 4th regiment
 in the care of Captain West
 Company 11

W Pline
 to Mary Pline
 when this you see
 remember me
 at many miles
 see

This trought the 24 1862 richmond Va
dear wife i regard youver kind letter dis
morning wish gave me much pleasure to
hear that you was well and i hope
when they see Mr lindz coming to the hand
may find you all well i am well at
dis time i was sorry to hear that
James was sick but i hope when they
lindz coming to hand may find you all in
good health i can state to you that i said
frank stewart and frank strake
we are campt rite at them we have
~~and~~ gone back to richmond and i expect
we will stay there at while i havent heard
from Mr summitt nothing only what i
heard from you i wad like to send some
money to you but i dont think that
it wad be safe to send it in to letter
i hope that i will git to same home sume
time i am at leige to spend sume of my
money here er wife bid but we cant
git it here for the money she left il
summitt back at the camp right &
left there last tuesday but he was not
very sick i want to know if the long is
all gone if pane is gone if some is
not i saw pal fine he was well and
he wonte to come to our company he dont
like his captor we hadle got at good captor
i wad not sent him for nun of them das
all for his men that he cant bout he cant
let his men come home i dont live
in this place to let us off go ten miles

you said that you woul quit your farme
i wout to now what you mean by that
i wout to now what you are going to
do if you ar going to leave home or not
i dont now what you will do if dis
warre dont stop i think that it is belige
to stop if it dont we will all perish
i want nothing new to write at dis
time so i must come to et place when
dis you see ~~so~~ remember me so many
miles et pate i be i woul like to
see you one time more in dis world
if it ~~is~~ food be so if it is to be so
it will be and if it ant to be it will
not be write as you as dis goes to
hand except youer letters to righmon
i it in the care of captian wort 46 reg
N.C. corps

W G Cline

to clary Cline

W G



State of Va^t camp near 1865
Chartingburg September the 25th

Dear Wife I seat my self this evening to inform that I am well pray these few lines may find you all well I received your kind letter yesterday evening and I was glad to hear that ~~you~~ you was all well you said you hadn't heard anything from Major Sumner since ~~that~~ of August I can tell you about I saw him on my ride on the 19th of this instant and he told me he come safe through the manassas battle and was complain ing of being sick and he stell back in the rear of the army and he said he did not know what had become of him but I expect he got to some house and he can't send know

letters for shear is know malums
from shear I can tell you that we
left raphid on station on the first
day of September and went on to
maryland then come back to MD
and then we we to harpers ferry
then we left the ferry and went
back to maryland and then we
got in a fight but I come at safer
but I never saw it rain bullets
before I can tell you that we ~~will~~
have a hard time of it for we
have travelld since the first of
Sep till the last 3 days we have
been at resting a few days I don't
know where we go from hear I want
you to write direct your letter to
Winchester Va So I will come to
a close by saying write soon

"I Oline to oberry C. Flint

Winchester Va Oct 20th 1862

dear wife i take my pen in hand
to let you now that it am well happen
when those few lines come to hand
you may find you self in good health
i rec'd your kind letter last night
which gave me much pleasure to hear
that you was all well you wanted
to know if i had for got you i had not
but i lost all my paper and all my
blouther the time of the fire i want

you to send me a paire of gaffes
as youe a fan the times is hard
where now it is gitting cold here now
we a lookeen here ever day for a
muthier fire but i haue got a mufle
of fitter to ches me but i speft we
will nefted go in to sit a game the
was a fire a few days a go above
ten miles from us old gaffes gone
took ~~the~~ fifteen hundred prisian
and ~~the~~ will a lot i think that we
will git the yankees all after while
was a take of pejet while but
that was a fine off a big fire
i want you to sow some wheat if you
can i cant git to come home now
but i hope that we will all git home
dis winter i wood gave all that i
have got if the ware wool stop if
it dont stop the will all perish
i can tel you that we haue fast
harder times fore the last month
we went day and night and you now
that i think of home den i think of you
when you was a sleep

You had better stay and we'll give
a nuff to dew you dig full while you
can git it for it will be hard to
git here spring there is none made
to boat & hige what littel is made
is all de strongde i saw P or flime
and havid gettet and don't finger
the gade too nighty and one day
whith us i saw philip down
last night he was well when i told
hen if wouth well go i must come
to it close when des you give me rememb
me at meny miles at part i the
one go rite sunre as it is coming to
hand

hereft your letter to winpheste
Oct in the case of Captain wogt
16 we w't keep off P flime
to add my b flime

To his friends to nighte John Gunn
it tell him that i send him
my best regefts to juin and
all the rest i di want like to come
home dad see you all
i want you still to write to
me i like to hear from you

W P flime

to John Gunn w't C P

[1862]

house No
Camp. Wear Madison Court
November 16, 1862

Dear wife i seat her this
blessing Sabbath morning
to let you know that i
am well & happy these fine
lines may find you all
well i had at roste to fare nowt
but i had no paper but i got ~~some~~
some now i think that i will come
back to lincon before long and if
i don't i will try to come home fore
i want to see you all i was going to
leave that you was givin bout i hope
that these few lines may find you in
good health the country is all well bout
John prop's is bad off he went to
the horse pitle dis morning & are hid
in the woods there was some snow here
last week & i was plumb bare foot
but i lost at paire of them i paid ten
dolars for them if you git dis before
you send them ather you may led.

them at home i was oblige to have
to paire things is that my nice ifnt
bor them and i expect that are my
dise too idont think that dis ware
fame last long if it dont stop the
will all perishe i think that dat will
stop it the was to too erz like fits dis
weeps et bout ten miles be kind us
but was not meny will i hant nothing
new to write at dis time i wud like
to come home now i saw as much
as i wont to see foret while so i
must come to et close by saying to you
remember your dear husband an
tel obeth and i will you write
as gane as dis form to hanol write
me all the news deceipt youw letter
to richmond ye rig go to
tell much and ganes and elen
and wold be good long tel i come home
i like to see them all W P. Gline. Gibbony. Gline

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PINKNEY CLINE
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Slater of P.C. Hanover N.H.

Feb 1st 1868

dear wife i take up of course
hand to best of my best that
i am well & happy when
those few lines comes to
hand may find you all
well i have not got no
letter from you i am
afraid what does it got
me box last night all
things was all good down
same of the potato was rotten
the beehives was all good
i was glad to get them
back in wood & another been
able and eat it off with
you i hope that this will
be the ~~last~~ ^{next} that you
will live in dis ~~way~~
a list made in the

no ten I went at
the house and
there was a lot more there.
I think when we
had a meeting over there
and I told them I didn't think
they were there. Well I think
they were there. I think
it is more fate it is all
happening and I don't
know if I might have to do
longer a fifteen month
I think as you can do this
but I think it is better
to do it now than later
so I will let you to get back to
you by Aug 10th in the
price of Captain Joseph.

W P Cline
to obtain Cline

[1] February the 15 1863 N.P.
new hanover forty miles
brother breakey
dear wife i take mi pen
in hand to let you now
that i am well and i
hope when thay few days
going to hand may find
you all in good health i
regret too letters from
you the day and i was glad
to hear that you was all
well much want me to
send him it but i cant
git him none at this time
but i will git him one
as soon as i git to st
ton we are to long
way frome to come tel
him to see it and it
long time i gone home i
hope that i will git to
come home this spring
and i will fetch him to
nise

now that it is good
 now i dole that jame and
 mabel was married to
 ralies but i think that
 you can do without
 him as good as with
 him. i dont think that
 he done you much
 good when he was alive
 i think that it is a
 fine thing that he is
 gone i must come to et
 etwaze mi land sister
 i remember you on
 tel deth rite sun
 as did come to hand
 i like to hear from
 you what your better
 to golde loom No 46
 my so the W P Aline
 to abury & bline

you gave the you wanted
 me to come and fix more
 plants i wold like to come
 and fix them and if i
 can get away i will
 come. i can tell you that
 i got my work and i had
 things was all good but
 i fear of ~~the~~ the potato
 was green the valens was
 all good and i was glad
 to see it come it come
 in a good time to me
 you dole that the was
 plenty of ice and snow
 there is no ~~snow~~ snow
 more ice here but i
 have got plenty of rain
 the land is so low that
 we can dig a well three
 foot deep and get water
 to plenty and you may

dear father and i take
my pen in hand to let
you now that i am well
happen when those few
days come to hand
may find you all well
your gade that you wad
like fore me to come
home and work in the
~~shop~~ shop for you i wad
like to come home and
end your work but i
amt come yet & while
but i think that we
will all git to come
home dis sumer i some
time i wad like to
see you all one time
more but i think that
i will git home sume
time at gane rive to me
W P fline to John gummitt

State of South Carolina
District of Beaufort
Camp near Beaufort

February 24 day 1863

As you are taking
in hand to let you know
that i am well and
hope these few lines will
find you in good health
I can tell you well
the cold we've took
long time I was sick
the worse too night and
too strong at 7 o'clock
too thundering and i
came home last evening
last evening i can say
to you that it is some
time its in the night
place that i have got
in all my travel but
i don't like dis place
like the island it is bad

[2]

were done over 18 miles
from the van line. I got
out before the ridge line.
After day I thought the
old yellow pine some
had sprung out and about
the last - could not get
to a nest with the old
yellow pine. I saw a single
egg which had fallen
over the ground and didn't
see many for it
but if it doesn't
know where to go
it will fall off and
fall down in sunken
holes or fissures in the
soil and stay there
all night
I had seen a few
of the birds at the
hilltops and in the
valleys and in the
canyons

on the way back
I saw a few more
and in the valley
and the hills.

[3]

one time more
but ~~if~~ i dont now
whether i will get to
see you any more or
not so i might come
up there long again
at the same day if
some standard
cheapest you ever letters
to Charlton 96 sqig CNT traps.

W P Cline
to Alonzo F Cline

Sept 10
B. Q. C.
A. S. C.

Family news

Popalago State of FL
Wednesday the 6 1803.

dear wife i take my pen in the hand to let you now that i am well hopes when these few lines comes to hand may find you all in good health i reciev'd
two letters from you one that
bagg forth and one that south
coronat south got to the company
last night i was glad to hear
that you was all well but i wad
heep deaper see you den to see
a letter you wanted to now if
there was any sime of peace i
told you that i dont see any
sime of peace but i think that
the farr hold long for rags hem
is at geting mity want i
think that dat will bring the
war to a close but it dont look
like it wad stop in ten years the
way the er six in the er dozen
begt workers ever day

you can tell your father that
i got his kind letter and was
glad to hear from him and hear
~~that~~ in the ~~way~~ will tell him
that i wold like to see them all
the same that he wanted me to
come home and work in the
shop i wold like to see dixie i
and daughter work in the shop
day and night den to see
howe dis is. the hard
way at liding that i have
decide to live yet i wold give all
that i have got if dis ware
not stop i must fetch me
bands to it close long agone
you all to write as sure as
dis fangs to hand fangs
to remain your hugleon on tel death
desirest your letters to pha old son
yours ever v. b. lotrops in

Mary F. Cline

Camp near Poataligo
District of Beauford
March 17 day 1863

Dear wife

I take my pen in hand
this morning to tell you
you are established & left without me
it helps me in these gloomy times
for I don't now find much
alleviation health & regret
you are missed & I will always
miss you more & more please pray for
Edmund & that you will be well
you will find opportunities to get
to him & write me and from the
distance feel content more if none
comes in not least i hope that you
care for myself that if you find
all turned to memory and die
please to write & let me know

that you feed girl she don't want
a lot more if the mill gives
it. I told you not because
it was likely that many men
will take it and the mill
will be full home it had the
most grandmother principles
about it this time I am
worried for it fits all the
days but I hope that it will
never get in a weather
while the weather is given
warm here the wood is
given green here at this
time I go me to the place they
open you to rule sand
this forms the hard and soft
water better to the olden of
the regiment of traps
W. Pipeline
to address pipeline

Pocataligo S.C
March 22 1865

Dear wife.

i take mi pen i
hand to let you now that i
am well at dis time hope u
when those few lines comes
to hand may find you in the
same blessing as i send you.
i send letter to the 20 i rec'd a
letter from P.B Cline last
night he was well and one
from the government and he
was well i was gary to hear that
Falkin was dead but i speft that
he is better and then we are fore
the times is hard and no
chance fare them to get any letter
i havn't got eny thing nev.

The wife at dis time

you wrote that you went up
to town to get me off i
will be mighty glad if you could
get me off bout i am afriad
that it will be at least
shame if i was at home now
i feel very dire & expect
that i will stay till the mare
is ended it dont seem that i
can stay that long it does seem
that dis year has been as long
as too i may have to at pleasure
long agone you to write as
soon as dis comes to hand so
i remain your obedt husbnd
on his death deat you're
letters to pharldson &c
46. W. P. filine.
to moder. J. filine

April the 1st 1863

dear wife
I take my pen in
hand to let you know
that i am well hope
when those few lines
come to hand may
find you in good health
I rec'd your kind
letter yester day with great
mirth pleshell to
hear from you you
said that you had sold
the old mare i wnt
you to try to keep the
salt if you can for
charges if it dont go
we havent to git it dis
ide & will stop but i

I don't agree with any thing
of it. It opens your garden
that the times was harder
dare a far. tell you that
the times is as hard there
as it was here. it not
but better. poor bread & the
have not had any thing
wholly bread. sense as I have
seen there is far going
to you that this is not
harder place. but I
don't think that place
will stay here long
any more. as soon as
you been over there for
a fine piece. but I
don't think that over
will be any fine piece

I have not got anything
new to say. but I disti-
tance will not
be right doing in this
between now & winter.
Get clean and let
it stand. it must get a
little cold to at first
say degree in your to
make dry ground
dry forms to hard
so I remain your dear
husband on his death
bed. if you ever let me
to have a son who can
hurigate you all in the
place of Captain West
for us. W. P. Cline
& A. C. Cline.

Dear father and mother
and the others. it is
with spleenice that
I send you my few
kind s. to let you now
that I am well.

Winds going to Madrid may
find you all well. I have
nothing new to write the
times is hard and many
of them at gotten
very late so I will write
to you home to see you
all. I will write some
to a dog. they dig them
you. The wife
will be alone
to John. Sam will

A C Home's Landing.

Saturday - June 1.

April 30 day 1863

Dear wife I take this opportunity of writing you a few lines to let you know that I am well and happy this letter may find you all well I write these few lines to let you know that I will send you 40 dollars of money by Mr. Lewis he promised me he would take it to Bay House as he went to his brother Dr. G. J. S. Cline So many, G. Cline.

80. 1861. November
20
This 30th. April 1861 camped. Said Samuels
dear wife, it is with great pleasure
of a drop you all send kindly
to let you know that it
all here been sufficient for
giving better health hope
the kind friends may find
you all well. I have wrote
three letters and got
none. I don't now why
you don't write. It dont
do me any good to write
and get no answer. We
have got through the
twelve or so miles of
salt marshes from the
regiment to go when the
salt works salt is taken

i want you to write and
tell me how you are getting
along with your work
and tell me how my
folks is doing i would
like to come home
but see you all one
time at game if i think
make i will go to some
home dig summer some
time i still did in
hope that dig fag will
come to ct folose dig
summer i dont think
that the will be
to stop it we force many
far the want of
to eat now and as it
dont gone stop

dabars fo washed the
dongs is all seven money
the got their money last
night but i havnt got
mine may make think
that he have spent all
my money but i have
got quite good sumen
to me he are given
some fullow but it is
no chance far ct pure
man if i had ct niggore
it too i fact git it
blad too but dat i
havnt got but i hope
that dis were will
stop sume time and
i will git free one time
ct game and i will stay
there

will have run me
out giving little rasher
now one quarter of a
pound of bacon at day
and it is half rotten
some times you may
get that that it does
is by burning so it
must come to it
Please say when you
will write so I remain
your hughe son till
yester

I receipt your letter
to Mr. Nixon 46 we
go to in

W³ Cline
to do Cline

A. C. Davis
Winton

May. the 21 1863
would write it up with
pleasure that i do you
et fest to let now now
that i am well again the
few birds may find you
well in good health without
get any letter with i dont
now many you dont write.
I went to do some with
less trouble you consider
feel if you got it or not
wants you to ride if you
got it up and i dont know why
you dont ride i have rate
five or six and got one
day in the day i will ride
till i get one i dont see

you not for writing me on my
or that nowt says to you in
any speech of me either
and not yet none i got a
letter from the old man
the 15 day the 1st abdell
has sent me more letters
and you know if you
are quiet i wont need to
tell me what your respon
is for it i havent got no
very thing new to write
and big things are done at
Kingston one mile from
town i might go to the
floppe long agone you to write
if you will do so the your
letters to Kingston with
one or two lines and
the rest of the line i do

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Johnson
I am very sorry to inform you that
we have lost our son John Jr.
He was born on the 25th of June
1800 and died on the 25th of Dec.
1825 at the age of 25 years.
He was a good boy and
had a very kind heart.
He was a member of the
Methodist Church and
was a good Christian.
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had a very kind heart.
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Methodist Church and
was a good Christian.

P. S. If you will give me
your son's name I would like
to give me one letter if you will

[1] Richmond Oct
June the 9. 1863

dear wife it is with
pleasure that i drop you a
few lines to let you
no that i am well again
when the few times you
to hand may find you all
in good health i rec'd
your kind letter last
Sunday and i was glad to
hear that you was all well
we are now at richmond
but we will not stay
here i think that we
will go on to freerichburg
in to day are too i though
that i wld get to some
home but i will not
get to home now and

salvo for woal et
 foot i will send it
 as soon as i can get
 it change to send ~~it~~
 it i havent got nothing
 new to write at this
 time only i can tell
 you that i wld like
 to come home i wld
 like to see you and
 the children all one
 time more it dont
 seeme like i can ever
 get to come and it
 dont seeme like dis
 old war will ever
 come to it end
 the mornig was obg
 morning that the wld

i dont no when i will
 git to come ~~it~~ now we
 met at summit i
 galley mouth last sunday
 i have saw old richmond
 tel i hate to hear tel
 of it any more it is
 the last place fore
 me ther wld be man
 that had run it way
 six times in our regiment
 and he was shot nigday
 when we got to peterson
 burg i tell you that it
 looks hard to see a
 man medl don eton
 have been walls put
 there him up side
 that i shud send

fitting dit fregrifit
buring but i dont no
if it is so are not
so i must come to
ct close by asken
you to write dit guine
as dis coming to hand
so i remain you & t.
dear hugoon on.
tel deeth so farwell
far dit time
deneft never better
to ~~at~~ richmond N ct

W^m S Blane
to diary S Blane

[1]

W.C.B.
frederickburg

August the 4 1863

Dedr wife it is with
pleasure that i drop you
a few lines to let you
no that i am not well
at this time i have
been sick for the last
week i am taken ill one
mornin i had got a
pains in my loins and
head i expect you or kind
letter to ginday that you
rate the 26 of July which
gave me much pleasure to
hear that you was all well
but it found me in bad
health we got to frederick
burg last saturday we are
looken here everyday for
a fit company if our

the day that the Yankees is
 coming here with thir
 army and the ever had if
 dat is so we are whipt if
 i live to get back to old north
 carolina i ~~do~~ no that i will stay
 here but i dont no if i will
 ever git back we are not bout
 i put my hope in the old man
 i hope that he will fetch
 me thru safe he is all my
 dependes for there is no one
 pade to thir man here so i
 must come to thir place by ashe
 you to write as soon as thir comes
 to hand i remain your son from
 on tel death dearest you're letter
 to Richmond 46 regt comp K in the
 care of Capt. ^{W. T. S.} Oliver
 looks long to maryoline

on ~~first~~ pibbit dis is
 the first time that the
 have went and left me
 behind the sed that the
 Yankees was in too mch
 of dis place to gunday dont
 i dont think that the are
 dat place it ~~is~~ is the tolle
 dis morning that we are
 going back to richmond
 but i dont think that we
 will go back tel dis time is
 over to here we heard that
 there was fifty thousand
 Yankees down here now richmond
 at dis time it dat is so we
 were in thir lead boat a ~~and~~ nited
 you that the men is all out
 of hidet the most of them
 thinking that we ar whipt

A few lines to John
Dear father and mother
sit right with pleghar that
keep you A few lines to
let you no that i am not
well & respect you. Kind
letter last sunday and it
was glad to hear that you
was all well i havnt got
any thing new to write at
dis time only i think
that the yankees has got
us melody whipt if the
hant the men is all decerd
dat is the general take
i think that dis fitte hire
will divid dis war i can
say to you that the time dis
gome so long to me general
had been at home write and
gave me all the "W" fine
news to John gummitt

WCD Camp near fitted highway
August the 15 1863

Bread & wife expect my self to drop you
CD friend living to let you no that i am
in tolls good health at this time i
Received your friend letter yester day that
you wrote there this i was glad to hear
that you may well be so far tell you
that i have been ride well in all
good weather i heard that the war was
to commence soon & leave the mountain
for stay at home and i heard that
good man had given it is about to no
if it is for or not you get in good
letter that you had recruit fire dally
is want to no if you want after it
or not him for it is won't you told
me he will has to come to the army
i want to no if old man has to
come or not i would like to hear of him
business out it is the take that mother
Garland is CD going to go with in the

of property & etc for my wifery I am not
group out of the world of my wifery
yours i dont think that it is worth
our while to be fites here any longer
for we cant never whip the yankees
i have at mather to quit and come
home if the do not figh them out that
is done will force home and they
will i dont think that it is any use
of it few of us to stay here and fite and
then all at home that figh there have
got here cant never whip the yankees
we have fite here to be all killed and
then the will be ~~in~~ plenty of it
for the reason that i will not stay here much
longer i will stay till i see if the will
fet the them that is at home do not if
the dont figh them i will come home
and stay and i do not no if i will stay
here much longer and that you must come to
at fidge by a dozen you to write me as dig from it
and receipt your letter to richmond W.P. fence
to the 46 reg in the fire of cap off today 6.6 line

I will tell you all about it when I get home. I dont
feel very well but I will try to write you again soon.
I will tell you all about it when I get home. I dont
feel very well but I will try to write you again soon.
I will tell you all about it when I get home. I dont
feel very well but I will try to write you again soon.
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feel very well but I will try to write you again soon.

18th probaby miles N.C.
affidavit the 7 1863

Dear wife a great many go to cheer you
I fear it will be to last you see that i am
still here where they first times fam
to hazard may find you and the children
all are good but the children write also letters
i havent rec'd much from you yet we
are still in the guard house yet and dont
no how long we will stay in it the
captain got us off last saturday night
he said that he saw you and told that
you was all well that was the first
i heard from a friend i hope i havent wrote
it look like to git it better from you
the cheest in the world the boys did get
letters but we don't let me no every
thing that the git but i don't care
much i hope that i will git out of this
soon since and den i will fire with
the regt this is a hard time but
i hope that it will be over before long

Very many thanks you for your kind
note so you will excuse my off for our day
it seems that i started to see them
this morning before i paid the guard
house and advised me if i wanted to send
me back my word i told him to tell
him that i was well and at the guard
house i want you to send me jackets with
long sleeves if he gets to far home
the cold and i say that he was going
out at full bore and you may send my
gloves and mittens if you can tell the
old man for that i am well and when
the frost that is far and still aint much
i would like to see them all but i dont
no when that will be in very meager
but i hope not to long to have to do this
by when you to ride as some a days
comes to hand for i remain your highness
on tel death do i left you to letters to
Richmond Oct 4th regiment camped
in the fire of Captain Bass
when you see remember W. P. Cline
me and i will you to M. C. Cline

I carry you off you worry you no friends
I write to you off you worry off for me too
I'll soon visit him to see his
this morning he come past the guard
house and asked me if I wanted to send
me place my stand I told him to tell
him that I was well and in the guard
house I want you to send me justice which
I will you if the girls do fare home
the told me yesterday that he was going
out at full last and you may send any
gluedes and neftbles if you can tell the
old man's for that I am well and den
the best that I can and that aint much
I would like to see them all but I don't
no where that will be in less money
but I hope next Friday you come to the place
very often you to ride a gune a day
comes to hand for remiss you're high on
an tell death dearest you ever to letters to
Richmond Oct 46 regiment company
in the care of Captain Bass
when you see remember W. P. Cline
me and I will you to M. G. Cline

Ottobre the 16 1863

Rifhamond W C

Dear wife, i fear my self to drop
you to you to see the best you can
that i am well happen when thase
of us who left have may
find you in good health i havent
the people are electer friends your
gentle's have left here i did
not stay at the regiment about
one week and left and
went after the main as soon
as the general had to the rifhamond
we stade at golden hills for
days it was to late for me dire
but i made that we will not
stay dire and i thought that i
would tell it made where we
where we were to date the 7
of this month is no that we have
date but the men to the regiment
and i did not get them for i

left here we got dinner it had
got nothing need to eat at
this time i want you to send all
the wheat that you have i told
the old man that is down town
tell me if you have gathers your
corn yet or not so i might
come to get it by address
you its written as June 18th 1863
coming to your hand
here is my paper letter to
Richmond Oct 1st Hazel Thunder
in the office of Captain ~~of~~
Alexander

aff P. Gline.

to draw if if line

W. P. Gline B. C. W.

Camp near Oregon fort house

November the 12 1863

Dear wife it is with gash that
i drop you a few lines to let
you no that i am well hopen
when these few lines coming to hand
i may find you all in good health
i recived your letter that you
got to fastel thunder and i
was glad to hear from you and
to hear that you was ~~to~~ all well
i can tel you that we have got
baught to the regiment last
night i got this letter that you
got to the regiment when i got
baught you sed in dat letter that
you was sorry to hear that i didn't
git nothing to eat i want to so
how told you that i got nothing
i can tel you that i got it want as
much as i ever got in the army
you needen to believe all that you

Hear if you do you will be well
I had to lie we left at noon
last Monday and got to the nearest
last night we was three days on
the road we are now safe to
the right country and when we
crossed day for it is half
i got my things to do your best
with the packell i got there in
at fernand i can't give them
best the rider don't as bad as
you write think it was it don't
have any place to stop when it
wos to i must come to oblong
by afternoon you to ride as you
as this going to stand and you
in all the money did you see
remember me and i will you
dear it you better to tell fernand
he may go up to the next night he get
back to bridge "W. P. Cline" to it Cline

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Camp near Oregon City

January the 26 the 1864

Dear wife it is with pleasure that i
drop you a few lines to let you no
that i am well happy when they
send lines from to your hand may
find you all in good health i enclose
you a letter that you wrote on the
8 of this month and i was glad to
hear that you was all well me and
H. H. sold well yest over boarding morning
and she was glad to see it come
for we shant destroy any meat
in two or three weeks it come
in a mighty good time you fed
that the rabs taxeing the long i
dont no what the poor people
will do if his warre dont com to
a close but i think that it
will come to a close dis spring
some time for i think that the
are about out of every thing to eat

we have had game hunting party
whether fore the last week but
we have had game hunting hard
whether the first of this month
it will give like spring and we are
still here yet i would like to see
at home to be planting but it dont
matter i will go it will be
still here in hope that i will get
here game time in that day
old man will stop game time
~~and~~ and we will all be free on t
game i got my pants and a pelig and
the was all good the was the first that
i have eat dig winter so i must come
to t blegie by asker you to ride as
game as dig comes to hand you must
et page milled river direct you or bette
to right in road to reg to t river the
fare of kept Post ^{iff, T} Cline
to do of cline

D.D. Camp near Oregon to

G.S.

February the 3 the 1864

Dear wife i repeat my self to dear you a few lines to let you no that i am well and i hope when these few lines comes to your hand may find you all in good health i havnt got no letter from you since the one that you wrote on the 8 of last month i th have ate three and got nine i can tel you what our fings is but you have heard the captian said that he woul write to you but i can tel you what it is me and H.H. Goldswell and B.W. Boyd & Collele S.P. alenally & goodm we left to make a wall and have 40 days and den i had labor the wall is pond and the shane one foot and a inches you mite think that dat was mity hard but i dont give force dat not one hit i woul as sunce be doing dat as to al be in the company we are doing a bout as well as the gret of the wrys

we will git out of the gard house at
about the time that the green grass
comes out we have been in the gard
house till we have got what we want
and i don't faire of the keep us in
till the warre cins and i don't
think that dat will be ~~very~~ long
and i dont faire how quicke dat will
be i havent got nothing new to write
at dis time but the mos three men
shot out of our ~~regiment~~ last yester day
fore going home the first time and
two of them didn't home i tel you that
our Captain stood up to us like a man
i think more of him and i ever did i
didn't think that he had du dat well so
i must come to it close by as been you
to write as soon as dis comes to yester hand
i remain your very won on tel death dereft
your letter to richmond "P Cline
10 Aug 64 reg Co 10 in the
faire of Capt Locust
Cook's brigade

to Mr. C. Cline

Camp near orang.

March the 20th 1864

Dear wife i great mi self to drop you a few lines to let you no that
I am well hope n when these few
lines comes to hand may find
you in good health i recived your
kind letter and was glad to
hear that you was well i got a
letter from P R Coline last
night he was well i recived in
your letter that h P summit
was not sedifid genfe he was
at home i wanted you that
hear is a heap in that fixt but
that dont ge me too das much
good hire i have tel you that it
isnt to come home as hard
as any body but that dont
do any good i beluse that
isnt disvare to come to
a place by some means are
author

I only see one chance for
peace and that is to let W.W.
holden for our general and
i think that he will fetch the
same tact blosse and i wont
ever truly negotiate for him
if he get home in no that he
will carry the day in the army
and i say her run for holden
i think that it is a mighty hard
thing for us to stay here and get
\$1.000 dollars a month and it
can't pass if the way all the
same nigher that i am dis
aware what you are to do and
but there is some that will stay
here till the parish is in no
blosse very often you to write
so we can main you a hug hon on
told deth de ref your letter to rishme
he reg go to in care W.P. Cline recd
of Capt. Post Cook M.C. Cline
brigade

At Camp near Orange Co

April the 17th A.D. 1864

Dear wife it is with pleasure
as is each morning that i take
to drop you a few lines to let
you no that i am not ill i
have been little for the last two
weeks but i hope they few lines
may find you in good health i
hant got no letter from you sent
link come back i got them
things that you sent in alernath
box i sent my gloves and moccasins
in H.H. ~~for~~ boldwell blanket
you can get them when the get
the blanket but you rate about
my papa took a during nothing
for you i cant help that for
you no that he never done any
thing for me when i was there
i hope that you dont blame
me for that it you duisnt.

help it for you so that i cant
make them due if they don't
want to due i hope that i will
get some time & again
and i will meet a agree them
for any help i havent got nothing
new to write at this time only i
want you that we are location
every day here fore a big file
i expect that we will have
a hard time digging them
that lies to see dig summer
time i think that the will be
got there dig were and i hope
that i will be one that will come
then i must close by asking
you to write as soon as dig
comes to hand & dont forget
letter to richmond Oct 46 reg
to M^r in care of "W P Cline
Capt Post to all & Cline

N.Y. Camp near Orange 6/16

Dear Sir May the 1st 1864
With a seat on my sofa to answer
your kind letter that came to hand
yesterday which gave me much pleasure
to hear from you and to hear that
you was all and it found me in
good health you said that you hadnt
got no letter from me since the
30 of march i have wrote three
since that time and i recd one
from you idont know what became
of the other i want you to write if you
get my letters or not and if i will
rite as you wanted to me if i got
what you sent in summer last
i got it i got a package full but i
cliken up that ejij of the fruit
belong to me i expect that you
be require to need some money
but i havent got any yet but
i think we shall be able to get

2237937
My very best & most respy po
ystem for you of course
before long i will let you know that
remancy is and is easet here at
dis time the horses is all out you
feel that your horses looks well
feed them all that you can
for an eat cant see bout it no
that we will hefto do with out
if dis war dont f sum stop for
we dont git in y hardly now
but i hope that you will never
see a g just as we are here
but there is only one thing that
i ask and that is for the admity
to spare me to git home and be
more to stay dire and livlike
it did on be so i must come to a
close by when you to write sum
i remain your loyser husson on
tel de th de re b t. your best respo
richmond 16 reg Co W. P. Cline
in care of Capt. Best all Cline

Very affly with you now my po
wery affly for you of your self
before long i can tell you that
~~money~~ is with us set hire at
dis time the wages is all about you
and their wages looks well
feed them all that you can
for an old hand like locut i no
that we will hefto do with out
of dis wage dont give stop for
we dont git in a hardly now
but i hope that you will never
live as fast as we are here
but there is only one thing that
i ask and that is for the admity
to spaire me to git home and
more to stay here and live like
it did enbe so i must come to a
close by when you to write gone
i remain your ever husson on
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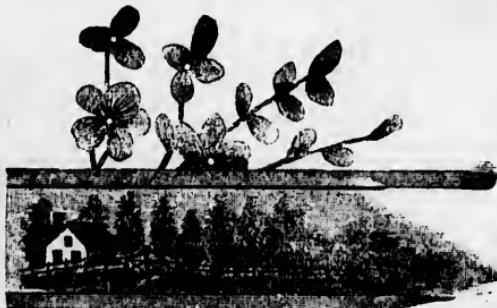
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Dear Sir

The papers in care of
Perline Summitt and Kolie Cline for
pensions have been sent back to the Clerk
for more proof. They want to know
whether Isaac Summitt and W P Cline
were killed in a battle or died from
disease; and also the time and place of
their death. They say he must prove
this by disinterested witnesses, and send
the papers back by the 15th of this month.
Please let them know and tell them
to come up next week and bring some
who belonged to their husbands old company
and know when they died or were killed.

Yours truly
M E Swanson



Mulgrave Cola
Feb the 2, 1892

Dear Keity Cline dear
Mother I will drop
you a few lines to let you
know that we are all well
as common hoping this may
find you well and
harty we are all in the
house with the old folks
yet man and ma are
making bed close and
fixing up for us to get

in a house to our selves
we got our bed steds
and chears long ago and
our Bott got burnt up
at Catawba and we
could not move to one
selves yet but I think
we will before long well
ma you tell slick to
sell the things I left
with him to the best
advantage and send me
the money for I will
neade it maby be gone
get the mony for the
things I got burnt
tell geal to write me

and then I will know
how to write to him
I am tore up a bout
the loss of my things
so I cant hardly stand
it it has got me mixt
up with a good deal of
stry but it all goes
in a lige time maby
I will come it yet
I will do the best I
can and where there is
a will their is away
so they say and I will
try to furnish the will
and see if I can find
the way

~~N. J.~~ Cline

~~M~~ Cline

well ma I will try to
rite yo a few lines to
tel yo that the children
are all fat and susey
Dock ~~the~~ is as fat as ^a pig
Peate gain^{the} 813 cende he has
bin hear herrill make
men if he gains that way
the cilarden all fat
ma see Ishe could talk
to yo heaf now if she
could se yo do i'm close
wit askin yo to rite
soon and wat Doff herte

July the 24 1892

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Miss Musgrave aka Dekall

M. L. Elvin Dear mother and family
I seat my self to drop you a few lines to
let you no that we are all well at this
time and I hope that even those few
lines come to your Lester hand they
will find you all well and doing well
well I will try to tell you sometings a
Bout our troubles we have got our things
all Burnt agin our house was Burnt at
Bout 3 month ago and evry thing that
we had But what we had on and we
was thiz clothed for it was worm we ~~had~~
then that left us in bad fix you now
But the Peapl has fix us up agin so we
can sotter live al home & gin we live
at house in the same lot wher ^{the} house
was Burnt the house was set on fire
people think tha had at spite at the
Preacher couch tha tuck it out by
Braming his horos down that hurt
us too as well as took you now it
did

their ir some good people hear and a
few people hear meader than the Devil
Devil under minding peaple if they
get aspide at evry one tha will
Burn them out I dont want to sta
in no such a place as this is we are again
to leave this state this fall if we can
get away I dont no what we will do
yet for we are broke up you no when
we have bin Burnt out twist in less than
3 month that would Brake every body
you no we havnt got eny thing for our
Box yet But it is in a the hands of
a Lawyer no he sed that we would
have to cerc the company he is mad his
prepration for that now he lives at fort
payne we have seen a heap of trubel
sense we left their you dont now
nothing about what trubel we have
seen sends me left their if we was ther
we could tell you all at Bout it I
we cant rite as much as we could tell

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you all if we were their I think we could find something to talk about a long time we wouldn't like to see you all now mitry well we want you to rite soon and tell us all the news rite us along later for we have get long letters and read them you don't no how glad we are to hear from you if you did you shortly would rite after for you don't no how bad we all want to see you I don't no whethe you have for saken me are not I think that the rest all has for saken us for we rite to alie ~~at~~ first and ~~we~~ we ~~have~~ got a answer yet I want too no what is the mater with tell uncle Therry Calwell that I would him if you no we rite to Bob and Therry Linne larger at onto in one envelope back it to Therry we hant got no answer from Bob nor Therry marry one yet we are still lookin for one from Bob I think he will rite to us before long Therry is the babys yet he still ~~merdes~~ yet you oug to see him now he is a fine Bob he has good fast he

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can talk now and zinery thinks he is a little man Dock and Torsie and Calie is all goin to school now Calie send tell you that her dresses was Burnt that she sent you the pieces of But she had got some more she will send you some pieces of in this letter the children would like ^{all} ~~any~~ see you now talk with you about sand mountain and tell you about the Barbecue cops looks to hell well hear But we have had a heap of rain we have got a good garden tell munks folks all to rite to us tell munks that we want to hear from them ~~all~~ and no what they are all doing tell uncle Therry Calwell that I would like to see him and then I could tell him all about this country But I can't tell him much now for I can't write more now this is a pore country ^{I don't} tho no wheter ever will ^{see} him every more are not but I hope I will see onto more well I must close by asking you to write soon I P. G. and R. C. L. to M. C. L. I remain your child tell Path

Mudgrov^e ala Dekalb Co.
September the 18 1892

Dear mother and brother and paraley
I now seat my self to write you. A
few lines in answer to yours that
we reeved last Sonday we was
glad to hear from you all and hear
you all was well we are all well
at this time and I hope that those
few lines will find you all
well and doin well you sell you
wanted to no where we was gain we
are comin back their if we can
get back we are to by a yoke
of steers to come back with if ^{we} can
we dont ame to put every thing on
the train at all far it has rind us
now we are again to start as soon as
we git the crop gether us and J. D.
Blacks is comin to gather times is
har har and money caud it is had
to git every monery hear far it hear
if you workee aday i is corn are heat
one to pay will heat is 3 sent corn 50

Fealin Cline Dear Brothe I want
you to take this leter to Newton
too the law yer that it is rote too
and give it to him and ask him what he thin
ks about it whether he thinks he can
do every thing for us are not and then
rite to us rite awry and tell us wh
he think about it ask him ahepe gestg
about it plead rite soon and oblige us
for we are wanten to no wat can be
done we wat you to take this as
soon as it comes to hand if you
plead Do so and aarmadle mee wek
Feal I want you to go to chie
abernathas and git our things that
is there and bring them to yans
house and keep them till we call
for them and oblige J. P. Cline
so & will close by saying please
write at aust and tell us all
about it. yours Bro J. P. Cline
to Fealin Cline Esq

November the 3 1892

Dekalb
Mudgram ad

Miss Cline Dear mother I sent my self to drop you a few lines to let you no that we are all as well as common but Calley she has bin sick about 3 weeks Doctor is not well now we never hav got no letter from that lawyer yet feel I want you to go to see him and see what he is again to do whether he is again to do me any thing or not write to us as soon as you can and help us to git away for if we don't git some thing far our things we can't come back their for we hant got nothing to bring us back it will take all that we has got to git a yoke of steers and a wagon it will cost us ten dollars or more than that ^{on the road} and we have not got it nor can't get it

I can't git no more for work for
it is not hear I recor that you hav
hard of mother this is the place
you don't no how bad we want
to leave no where we would
be shock their before to morrow
moring if we could I hav bin
trying to git to star the rode back
but my chance looks ~~is~~ ^{is} not yet
far corrin back I thought that I
saw hard times back their but ^{hing} not
to what I have seen since I have bin
hear and reseamed your letter and was
glad to hear from you all and hear
that you all was well and gitin
along well feel I want you if you
plea to do all you can for me for
if ever eney bader did me help it
is me now you can see that law
yer for me plea se him at onts
and let me no what he ses about
it we are mad the money had well
tell Starney that fredy sel he had
a ruster fredy thinks he is a ruster

well I must clade by askin
you to rite soon and fail not
excuse bad ritin and spellin
and yordine N. J. Cline and
J. P. Cline

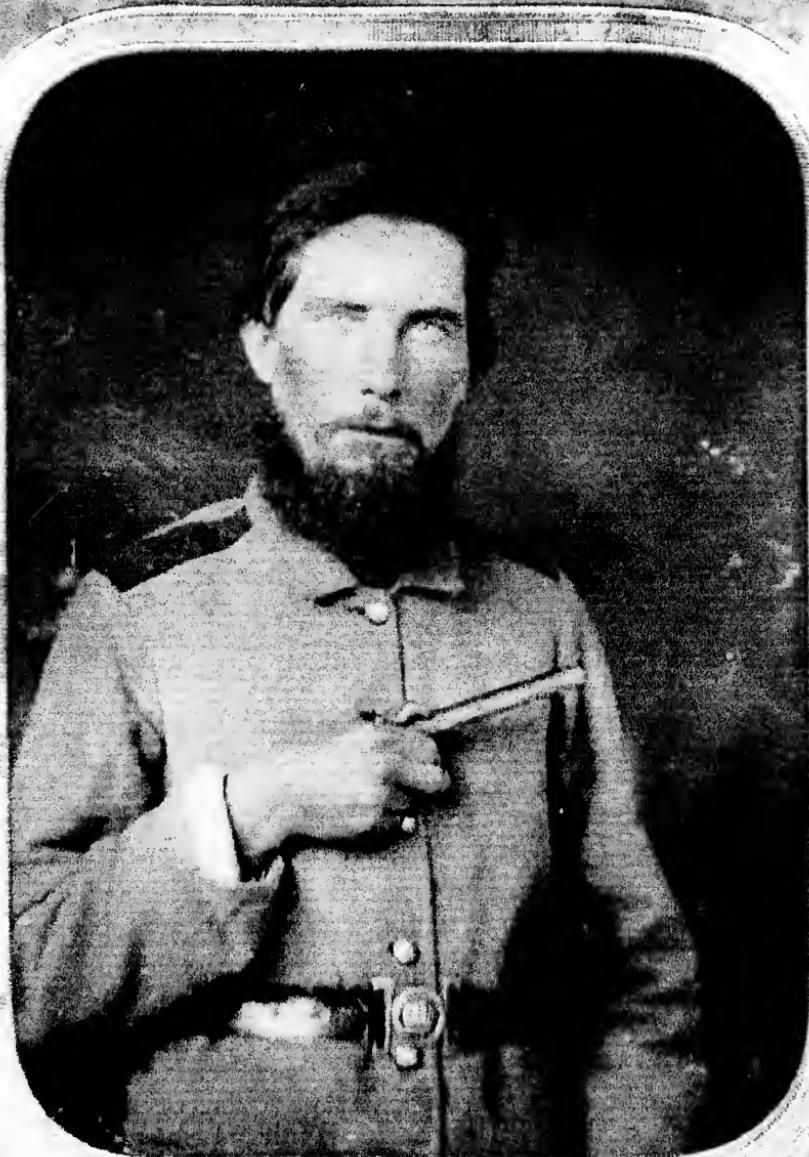
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