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Moose Family Correspondence 1862-1864

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Dear Jim,
Enclosed is a copy of the transcribed letters of the Moore family. They include the letter where Daniel Moore remarks on the execution of Pvt. Minix. It is on page 38

On the reverse side of this note is a page from "Education in Violence" by John S. Peterson. It suggests that Chattanooga & Stoney River predate Gettysburg as National Cemeteries.

Please let me know if I can help further.

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P.S. I also enclosed a photocopy of the letter.

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63A

Camp near Newfreedom.
Patriots co Geny June 17th 1864
Dear Parents

It is with great satisfaction that I avail
myself the opportunity of writing you
a few lines which will inform you
that I am in fine health at this
time. Hoping that will reach and find
you all in the enjoyment of good
health. The last letter that I got
from you was dated June 9th.
Tell Mr. Hayes folks that that I got
a letter from Jasper the 15th he is
at Camp Clark and in good health.
he said that he hadn't heard from
home since he left there. I answered
it the same day. I also wrote to Newton.
The same day. I was glad to hear
that you got the picture I sent for.
The Boyes is all in very good health
and gets off the same way well.

Tell Father. I will tell you that
I saw some thing yesterday that was
very horrible there was a man of Co.
(A) of our Regt that was shot dead
in the presence of the whole Division
for desertion. his name is Mint he
was a young fellow. being about 21 or 2.
perhaps you would like to know how
the operation is got through with
The Division was formed in this shape
each five days is a regiment

ABJ

63B

They marched him in front with
the finest band I nearly ever seen
~~the band was a very good one~~
and his Coffin in front of him
I can't see how he ever stooped
to walk around.

AB,

Swinnell is under guard to day he
was on guard last night and the
Brigade officer of the day caught him a
sleep I fear they will punish him
pretty severely.
Don't let his mother know it nor
any lady that will tell her
I will wait till the mail comes in
before I finish
I have nothing of importance to write
Dear Mother

Write often

**MOORE FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE
1862-1864**

**Edited by:
Chester S. Smith, Jr.**

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Editor's Notes

1. Daniel Moore, born: 1/3/1841, died: 12/10/1863, was the son of Jonathan and Abigail Moore. His brothers and sisters included Jeremiah, Emery, Silvanus, J.N.P.(brother), Mary Ann, Lieurettia, and Nancy Jane.

2. Daniel, worked at home helping to support his family until he volunteered for service in the Union Army, 9/16/1861. He rose to the rank of orderly sergeant. He wrote many letters home, to his Aunts and Uncles in Brown Co. Kansas, and friends in the neighborhood of his home at Gamaliel, Monroe County, Kentucky. These letters begin with his time in training, through the battles of Shiloh, Stones River, Chickamauga, the siege of Chattanooga, and end shortly before he was wounded at the battle of Missionary Ridge (11/25/1863). Daniel subsequently died of his wounds (12/10/1863) and is buried in the National Cemetery at Chattanooga.

3. Almost all of the collection is comprised of letters from Daniel. Toward the end of the collection there are several by his brother, Jeremiah, born 1/31/1845, died 7/27/1881, and one by his father Jonathan, born 4/24/1821, died 2/25/1894.

4. A recurring theme in Daniel's letters is that he wanted his kin to "remember me". I hope that my transcription of his letters will help in his remembrance. His letters also provide a "one sided conversation" with his family and friends which can also help us to remember them. This conversation with Daniel has been organized in chronological order, as best I could determine it. Toward the end of the collection are several of his letters which do not have a date. In subsequent versions of this document I will seek to place them in proper order. Many thanks to those who saved his letters for their contribution to preserving his memory.

5. These letters were saved through the concern and efforts of several individuals, including the following: his Parents, Jonathan and Abigail Moore; Sister, Nancy Jane Moore; Nephew, Otis Cable; Great Niece, Myrna Merz; Aunt, Jane Honnell; Brother, Emery Moore; Nephew, Alwin Moore, Great Nephew Russell Moore; and the National Archives. Special thanks go to Myrna for the loan of her extensive collection of letters, while they were being transcribed.

6. The letters have been transcribed with as much care as I could provide. Daniel spelled phonetically and somewhat inconsistently. I have used all effort to maintain his actual spelling. There is ambiguity in some of the letters used in his words. This is noted by a double question mark (??) adjacent to the word where I had questions about the letters he used. I don't expect that this ambiguity will affect the message of his letter. Another area of ambiguity is whether a letter was an "e" or an "i". Also, "o" and "a" were difficult at times. Otherwise, the spelling is Daniel's. You will note at the beginning of each letter a code. This code was used by me to identify specific documents. They have no particular meaning to the reader other than that sections with

the same code number, whether followed by an A or B, were from the same letter (i.e., 39A and 39 B were from the same letter). There are a few which don't have code numbers. This will be "cleaned up" in subsequent copies of this document. Other areas for further perfection include another review of the transcribed letters against the originals and more extensive editor's notes.

7. Undoubtedly, there were more letters which were written by Daniel, Jeremiah, and Jonathan. Some may still be in relative's collections of memorabilia. If you come upon a letter that might be from one of them or from others in the family, please contact me so that we can transcribe it and further remember them:

Chet Smith
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Richardson, TX
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Code: E

Adire County Colubia January the 18th 1862

It is with pleasure that I take my seat to write you a few lines to let you know the condition that I am in I am well I was taken with a severe cold about 5 days ago and felt the effect of the measles very strong but I am now better I was no danger I drew money the last of Nov and I did not get the chance to send it to you and Capt Dickson was in Apr for money and I loaned him 14 dollars received five and would send it by C Hayes but he went out of camp and said he would come back and did not I think that we will draw about the 25th of this month the inspector general was here yesterday and the pay rolls is made out and so forth I would love to see you all I want you to write how you are getting along without fail and write how much you have cleared

Mother I want you to send me a pair of socks if you can tell the girls that I can wash my cloths as good as any body

Daniel Moore Johnathan Moore & Mother

Code: clipped to E

N.B Father I want you to let me know how your stuff will hold out you said that you lacked corn. my advice is if you can get corn to buy this fall when it is cheaper as soon as I can I will send you a few dollars we signed the rolls yesterday we will be paid tomorrow I guess I can't tell how much I can send nor when but as soon as possible So I shall say no more at the present Daniel Moore
Johnathan Moore

Code: 61A

23, 1862

January

Adire County Ky

Dear father and Mother

It is with pleasure that I take my seat to let you know that I am in tolerable health at this time hoping that when this comes to hand it will find you enjoying the same like blessing

I would love to see you all once more but if we do not move shortly I will not see you I am satisfied here we will draw money in a few days if nothing happens and when we draw I will send you some the first chance

code: 61B

Now concerning what we are doing we are here and I do not know when we will move there were two companies went to work the road this morning I do not know what road they went to work So no more on this subject I want to send me some tobacco every

chance and I want Mother to send me a pair of Socks for the socks that we get hear ant fit for winter they are nearley all cotten and will wear out in three weeks I hear that you had worn out your coat aruning and hiding in the brush if it is the case if you will borrow one and come up I will buoy one and give it you and if you cant get one pick a warm time and come I want you to writ to me everey chance it seames to me that if I could be at home that I could work like a heroe I must come to aclose

Daniel Moore to
Johnathan Moore and
Abygill Moore and
and all the children

code: 61A

B.O. Jackson died this morning

To Johnathan Moore
Monroe Co. Ky.

Code: 10A

State of Ky
Adire Co
Feb the 4th 1862

I take my seat to let you know that I have got pretty stout I am as well as I could expect Hoping that when this comes to your hand it will find you all well and doing well I have not much to write but I thought that I would let you know that I am better than I was when you was uphear and I think that I can have my health Turn Over

Code: 10B

Times is About like they was when you was uphear the Neighbors is well except those that was sick when you was hear ben burnet is on the mend we hant drawed money yet and there hant bin much said about it for several dayes I think ther is something wrong or something right that we doant get it but what it is I doant no the men that was gon to work the road when you was hear is comeing in this evening by litle bunshis?? I think thear will be something don in afew dayes w will get money or move or stay right wher we ar an which of these we will do I doant no. So no more on this I want you to send me tobacco everey good chance tel all the neighbors that I would like to see them and all that will wright to me I will answer them.

Mother I want you to take care of the likeness that I sent to you for I doant no when wher I will go to nor what will become of me tell the children

code: 10A

that I want to see them veary bad.

i want you to write to me as quick as you can and if we stay hear this winter and draw money and I doant get to sent it to you I want you to come up hear if you can So no more

Daniel Moore

to

Johnathan Moore

When this you??

Command??

Code: 44A

State of Tennessee harden County
Camp Shiloh. near Pitsburg landing
April th 25th 1862

Dear father and Mother

it is with pleasure that I take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well at this time hoping that when these few lines comes to your hand they will find you all well and doing well. I would like to see you all but it is not posible at present though I think that

Code: 44B

we will get to come home before long if I Doant come you may know that I cant get the chance though I am in as good health as ever I was in my life and I doant want you to Suffer in mind about me for if I ever told you the truth I will do it now I have had my health aplenty to eat and good componey and fighting in a good cause in that whitch we will be Conquers so you know that I cant help but be in good hart Now I will tel you something about the batle what I know about it tough I cant write it like I could tell you if I was thare it was the awfulest Thing that ever I saw the 9th Ky Vols went in to it the 7th of Aprile, 1862 and she got the honor of being brave men with the exception of a few they was John and harvey D Isenburg that we did not see for several dayes after the batle two or three more that you Dont know in our Co. I would like to tel several things if I had time to write them.

Code: 44A

Thare was severel officers that run like Scird rats they had to Resine thier offeses or be court marsheled fore Cowards they had rather run than to fight for there owne Country I rote one leter to you since the batle and got the leter that T D Jinkens had For fear that you Doant get it I will Sate to you that Samiel?? A. Parker got killed
Danel

Code: D (Editor - the following is from Daniel's pension file and is indicated as "a copy attist Theodrick Tooley clk m.e.e. By Ed. S. Brown D. C.")

Camp near Murfreesboro Ruthiford Co. Tenn

April 30th 1862

Dear Parents

It is with the gratest of pleasure that I this plesant morning embrace the oppertunity of writing you a few lines which leaves me in splendid health Sincearily hoping this will reach and find you in the enjoyment of good health I have nothing of importance to write only we are all well in camp The report is Bragg is coming on us it appears to bee very confident newes I guess he will find a stoping place I sent \$25.00 by Capt. Wm F Auston the other day I would have sent more but I was a fraid to Risk it I would wrote sooner but he sayed that he did'nt want the newes to get out that he was hear for fear of an _____ If he hant sent it to you when you get this go after it if he has got home get it and make use of it as you please to your own benefit

D Moore

Code: D(clipped to D)

_____ and beautiful thing it shows all the Redgt and the Rebels perfectly plain I want you to take sp_____ I care of it if you get it I started you one?? C Hayes a paper the other day concerning the Ky Regiment I started a large paper to you showing the advance no Charlatown and the Bombardment of the same it is very beautiful keep it I shall want to ponder over them if I ever get to come home It hant bin long since I wrote tharefore I have nothing of importance to write Ton Jenkins wrote home to day

So I must close Give my best Resp to all the Nieghbers and friends Sincerely hoping the day ant far distant when we will be Discharged from this unfriendly wor

Daniel Moore

Code 27A

I or Jess

State of Tennessee

Near Corinth May the 8th 1862

I have to Relate to you that I am veary un week?? at this time with bad coal I ant as week as I was yesterday I will be well in afew days. I Must let you know that John Ray and Jef Harland is hear and thay are going to start from hear after the batle is over. I gave him \$36 in gold and one ten dollar bill I want you to keep the goald for me if you can but you may spend the bill

Code: 27B

I want you to keep it but if you Nead Amilk Cow or any thing Elce let it go I had rather you wold spend it than to nead any thing when the batle is over I will Rite and draw this leter if I have time and doant get killed in the batle the neighbors Comonly well at this time with the exception of bad ____ coal _____
Harvy and John Isenburg and S.A. Jinkins is about 5 or ten mines behind and severl??
in our Co

Direct your leters this way
To Daniel Moore
in the fifth Division Boyes
brigade 9th Ky Vols
in the care of Captain Coyle
Co. G.
To Johnathan Moore

Code: 39A

Daniel Moore
Franklin County Alabama
June 18th 1862

Dear father and Mother
it is with pleasure that I take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well.
I wrote to you Day before yesterday, I received your leter dated May 20th 62 you said you got aleter from Joel Moore and they was well. I want you to let me know how I must back aleter to Them. and write to them to let you know what Redgment Calvin Moore is in and wher they are at and you will let me know so that I can write to him.

Code: 39B

HW Jinkins is our first lieutenant he was promoted to that office in afew dayes after Dickison left us and he said that if he had rote it he had forgot it and I told him that I wold write it for if wold not do to hav an officer and not let any body know it.

Daniel Moore
To Johnathan Moore

Code: 29A

Alabam June 30th Camp in field
Dear father and Mother

it is with pleasure that I take my pen inhand to let you know that I am as well as commen, hoping that when these few lines comes to your hand they will find you all well. We are 4 miles from Athens on the road to huntsville we are not going to march to day. I cant tell you what the result of things will be There is a aman hear that belongs to the 13th Ky who was taken at Summers Mill near Greensburg.

Code: 29B

father and Mother and brothers and sisters I want you to think of the warisom road that your friend has to travile wher he has to go at one minutes worning
I will com to aclose by asking you to write to me and tell me how EE Moore is geting with his hip and and I want you to let me know how Crops is and how much tobacco you have got out and how mutch corn beans potatoes cabedges??, cane beats parsnips and soforth

Code: 47A

State of Alab
Jackson Co
July 13th 1862

Dear father and Mother it is with pleasure that I take the opertunity of writing to you once more I am well hoping that when these few lines comes to your hand they will find you well and doing well you cant tell how bad I want to see you all we have bin on the march along time we are at Stevison or near thare we came hear today July the 14th 62. Dear father and Mother. We have bin hard on the march today and we are in one mile

Code: 47B

of Battle Creek and the Rebels is on the other side in sight I suppose they will fight hear I expect if they doant I doant know what they will do. This is in Tennessee near the line we crossed the line today and I think that we will Rest awhile from march. I want to see you all veary bad and to bee with you but I cant tell when that time will come for it may be that I may go as some of my friends has went H.W. Jinkens is dead he died at Huntsville was taken on the 7th and died the 10th and JL Jinkens died about the same time I doant know the day he died at Iuka. they had the Neusmoney?? fever T D Jinkens rote his father a leter last friday. Toliver Turner got up with us last night he is well he said that EE Moores hip is geting beter I hant had but three leters from you in alongtime the last one was dated May the 20th I rote to you till I have no faith in riting the last leter that I rote was on the 4th of July John M Holland got aleter from Wm Holland that day and part of them was in Limestone Co. Alaba and part of them had gon to East tennessee

I want you to rite to me again and see if they will come

Code: 47A

So I will come to aclose

Tell the neighbors that I want to see them Jery I want you to rite to me and I hear that thare is acall for the Malicia I doant want you to go into it if you can help it but I doant want you to show the least cowardise Lov Daniel Moore to Johnathan Moore Abygill Mo

Code 22A

Camp battle Creek

Marian Co. Tenn August 7th 62

Dear Parents Brothers and Sisters it is with pleasure that I take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well at this time Except that my Eyes is alittle sore TD Jinkens is well and in fact all the boyes Except Wm Burnett his feet has bin swelling and brakeing out far two or three dayes but I think they will get well in afew dayes I Received your leter bearing date July 20th 62 which gave me great satisfaction to hear from you I Received it August 3rd and I commenced to write to you and before I got dun

Code 22B

I want you to keep that goald if you can and I will send you some money as soon as I can if Harland doant get off I think that I can contrive som way or other.

Goeorge Marshall, got hear the other day and he Volinteed in Comband B 9th Redgment Ky Vols. I want you to write to me as soon as you can and I want you to write to me how every thing is how corn Tobacco Potatoes andin short all of the Vegitables

I wrote to Grandfather Penington and Thomas Comer since we came hear

I want you to write to me how to and When to back a leter to Grandfather and Unkel Joel Moore. So that I may write to them

Code 22A

I have wrote to know this two or three times and hant got know yet and I want to know who has shoed the best sympathey for the union So I must come to Aclose

Daniel Moore

Johnathan Moore

Code 36B

Camp batle creek

Marian Co Tenn August 10th 62

Dear Father and Mother

it is with pleasure that I take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well at this time hoping that when these lines comes to hand they will find you all well and doing well.

I Received the leter that you wrote July 20th and the one that you sent by Mayes both on the 3rd of August and the one baring date July 31st they was all interesting I started one Aug 7th to you and one to Joel Moore the 9th and now we are on picket today I have charge of one outside squad except the cavalry we hav to set with our guns all night with out sleeping you may know it is not much fun

Code: 36A

I want you to know that Capt Coyl has just bin out and he brough alittle boy in with him he lives clost hear and thare is seven children and thear Mother and they hant got one mouth full to eat the pickets gives them some crackers some times we have some to give him I am going to give him three or fore rite now thare Father is in the Rebel army I will tell you it is hard hard I will finish tomorrow Daniel Moore This is the 11th I will try to finish writing this morning there was some of the ditching don yestarday and there was a detail made of 300 men out of our redgment this Morning I think that theare will bee something don before long I think I am in hopes?? ther will you said that you would have to spend some of my money and Replace it I want you to make use of it and if I nead it worse than you when I come home I can take Paper so you nead not Replace it.

Capt Harland has got \$20.00?? to bring to you if he gets off shorteley Tell Mrs Apollas?? that I hant forgot her and would be glad to see her and eat some with her Tell Mr Jinkens folks that TD is well. Tell Mrs Burnett that her boyes is well except Wm he is litle afflicted with his feet

Code: 36A

(editor: the following was continued from another page)

they got aleter the otherday the first one since we left Edmonton?? Wm Burnett sayes tell June Clary?? that he has got tired of reading her leters, She writes so much to him Tell all the neighbors that I want to see them veary bad but I cant tell when that time will be. So farewell

Code: 36B

I Again ask you to Remember me in all your Praires, and think of me
Daniel Moore
To Johnathan Moore
and Family

Code: 33A

Camp batle creek
Aug 13th Marian Co Tenn
Dear Parents

I am well yet hoping that when these few lines comes to hand they will find you all well and doing well Capt Dickison and JW Combs got hear last night I was glad to see the Capt he appears to be veary proud to see us. They are still fortifying hear the name of this fort is Fort McCook General McCook has command of it it will be arite smart place I think

Code: 33B

I want you to write to me how Maney hoges and things you have got let me know
whether them hogs dun you aney good or not
Well Jermih I want you to see if you can write me afew lines the next leter
I hant time to write aney mor
Daniel Moore
To Johnathan Moore

Code: 38A

Camp battle creek
Marion Co Tenn Aug 16th 1862
Dear Parents

It is with pleasere that I take my pen in hand to let you know that I am in tolerable
health at this time we went on picket yesterday and I had to come to camp before night
but I am beter today infact I am as well as common it is coald that ales me. I have
Received Several leters from you the last one was July 31st the last one I rote to you
was Aug 10th I think I have Give Capt Dickison 20.00 to take to you and I want you to
take in or some of it and by wheat and Sow it ifyou think it will pay

Code: 38B

you can tak and hire ahand and rent ground and sow arite smart if you think it will pay
or you can by some hogs or do the best you can if you can make aney kind of alay that
you think will pay you may make it and give me what you think is right and I assure
you that I will be satisfied if I come home and if I doant come it will be right and if
you cant do that you can make use of the money I want you to let me know how all of
your Vegitable looks how much cane and all of the perticklers Make all of the Tobacco
you can acommon plug of tobacco is worth \$1.25 and aplug 6 incles long and 2 inches
wid is worth 20.00 you may know that it is hard chewing

Code: 13A

Nov 19th 1862
State of Tenn Camp near Nashville
Dear Parents

It is with pleasure that I have the Opertunity of writing you a few lines to let you know
that I am well at this time hoping that these lines will find you well I mus tell you that I
am enoying?? my self as well as ever I did I started aleter to you the other day by
mail So I must come to aclose

Daniel Moore
Johnathan Moore

Code: 48A

Camp Near Nashville Tenn

Davison County Tennessee

November 27th 1862

Dear Parents

it is with Pleasure that I take my pen in hand to Let know that my health is beter now than it was when I left home TD Jinkens is well he is in good health.

I saw Wm Burnett a going home with his Discharge and I sent afew line by him to let you know that we was well we only marched two or three miles that day and camped and the other day we marched in 2 1/2 miles of Nashville and we are in Camp and makeing out Payroles I think that we will draw money before long If nothing hapens Our Captain hant come come up yet but I think he will come up before long Capt Sumabry?? told me if he did not come up before long he did not think he would come soon. I doant think that he intends to stay with us any more and I am sory to hav to give him up but he will have to go

I will say something concerning my Personal situation I have got Plenty of clothing as good as uncle sam has got and my health is beter that it ever was I think so thare is nothing in my way I doant think about home as often as I did afew dayes of??

Mother I doant expect that I will see home again until I come home to stay with out I can get to stay a good while and I have no hopes of that soon.

I will have my likeness taken if I can and send it to you the first chance

Code: 48B

Nov 29th 1862

We moved last night we are About seven miles from Nashville on the Murfersborough Pike some 1 1/2 miles from the road we are in site of the Lunetick I expect that we will go to Murfersborough in afew days

I cut my thumb last night and I cant write very well but Capt DB Coyl has just come I doant know whether he will stay or not But he is I think Tell all those boyes that they are Reported Absent with out leave and they had beter Come So I must come to a close Sy nair?? off

Daniel Moore

To Johnathan Moore Abygill Moore

Write as quick as you get this

Daniel Moore to _____ Moore

Code 65A

Dec the 24th 1862

Camp near Nashville Tenn

Dear Parents

I am again permitted to addrss you by leter I am in fine health at this time hoping these few lines will find you all well I Received your leter Dated the 16th inst. which gave me grate satisfaction I was very sory to hear that Emrys hip had ris?? again

Code: 65B

I was sorry to Read the solem phrase that my Oncle was no more in this World.
Christefer Himes?? and T___ Denham?? came hear sevearel dayes ago with a waggon
they will start home in afew dayes they would bin gon but somebody stole there horse
me and Tom Sent aleter by Denham and I sent my likeness by him this the 25 1862 the
boyes is all in fine health Converseing about wher they was last Christmas we are on
picket to day left destitute of a Commisond Office Our Captain was arested when we
was on picket before and Mayes was arested for geting drunk this morning and
behaving uncominly for an officer on Duty. I have command of the Company for the
time being I think that Coyle will bee Restored but Mayes can not.
We Expect to have abatle hear but I think that they will hear it Theunder a good many
times before peace is made so I will say no more about this
So No More
Daniel Moore
to Johnathan Moore

Code: 35A

January the 5th 1863
Camp in field near Murfersborough
Dear Parents
It is through the kind Mercies of God that I am Permitted to write you afew lines to let
you know that I am well and in the land of the living
I have Painful news to write to you We have bin in two Engagements since I wrote to
you I will Give ahistory as well as I can
Dec 26th/62 We left our camp and Marched to wards Murfer.. Driving the Pickets by
force. that night It rained it was wet and mudy til the 28th we moved slowly along til
the 29th we landed in 2 or three miles of the town. Constant firing all the time On the
31st we was attacked to our wright and our men run and our Brigade had to run in
before the enemy we run them back in Doublequick and taken our ground was then
Relieved by another Brigade and they flinched
January 2st 1863 Every thing was veary still all day till rite late in the evening our
Division was the left and was across the river byour selves the enemy made one eternal
charge on our Brigade and run them across the river tearing every thing all to flinters??

Code: 35B

On the 3rd we moved to the rear of the army that being my birth day I felt thankful that
I had got through Safe. on the 4th they left and our troops went through the town
Our Capt. killd WB Bowls James I Creek Isaac N. Vaughan John N Vaughan Archable
Registy?? James Parsley James M. Proffett James G Ayers?? Joseph _____ wounded
John M Isenburgh mising this is the report of our companey I got the in Side of my left
boot shot off opposit my ankel bone it numed my leg and foot for a while Jasper

Hayse?? got wounded. Capt Brian killed. G.W. Marshal wounded. We have had a tremendous time but we have gained honor worth talking about. I sent my likeness by Denham and I also sent a letter by him. I got the letter that you sent to me with the painful news that my Uncle was no more Tom Jinkens and all the boys is well that is hear Except those that I named. The boys fought first rate

Daniel Moore
to Johnathan Moore

Code: 54A

January the 8th 1863

Camp in field near Murfreesboro, Tenn

I am in good health at this time Dear Parents I am thankful that I am alive I am sorry that I have lived as I have hitherto I ask you for your kind Prayers that you have offered for me and Declare to you before God that I do not live as I have lived in the Past For it is too solemn a thing to be constantly engaged in Battle I am going to send a German Commission to you that I found on the battle field for you to keep for me. I sent my likeness by Denham it was Doan on the 16th of Dec 62. I want to know whether you got it or not. Tell Mrs. Hayes I think she is a pretty good soldier to get the horses back. I would be glad to see all the friends I have time to write much to you now Tell those fellows that we do not regard them as patriots if they get mad at being requested to come back hear So fare well

Daniel Moore to Johnathan Moore

Code: 26A

_____ the 6th 1863

I am in good health this morning John M Isenburg was Paroled?? he said that Jasper _____ was taken prisoner and paroled he was wounded but I don't know where he was hurt tell his folks that they need not be uneasy about him for he is in our hands We went in the battle with about 250 men and came out with about 150 about 100 killed and wounded I must say to you that I feel thankfuler than I ever did in my life This is three engagements that I have been in and have been spared so far but I can't tell hardly how it came?? that I got through

Code: 26B

I Found a German Commission on the Field I am going to send it home and I want you to take care of it It is a rebel commission. and I want it for a Memorial of the battle.

Direct your Letters to the

3rd Division

1st Brigade

9th _____ Ky Vol

3 Division

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Code: 26A

I have nothing much to write to you Only that I am well and think that the rebels is nearly gon?? up?? the spout?? I want you to write to me as often as you can write whether you got the?? things that I sent by Donhew?? I remain your son un til death.

Daniel Moore

To Johnathan Moore Abygal Moor
Fare Well

Code: 60A

(Editor's note: this letter is noted as 1862, but the actions included in the letter indicate that it really was 1863, so it has been placed in this location)

January the 9th 1862

Camp in field Near Murfreesboro Tenn

Dear Parents and friends It is through the kind mercies of God that I am Permitted to Drop you afew lines to let you know that I am Well at this time hoping these few lines will find you all well and doing well I am hapy to say to you that I am still in the land of the living I received your leter yestardy Dated January 1st 63 I was glad to hear from you I wrote two leters since the batle at this place I wrote last night and sent it by hand and sent you a paper and a germen Commition that I found on the battle field I want you to keep them for me I sent them by Capt. Briants Brother he will lay them in the Postoffice at Tompkinsville So you may get them veary handy I sent My likeness by Denham I want to know whether you got it or not we had about 17 or 18 killed in our Redgmt and about 100 wounded I hant got the Agregate yet our Capt got kild I was sorry to see it he was so Brave

We had Wounds in our Company James M. Proffett, John M. Vaughan, Newton Vaughan, James Parsley Joseph T. Turner Arch Register James I Creek Wm. B. Bowls James G Agers?? Newton van Slightly if you got the other leter it will give you afull detail of each day that we was engaged. if you doant get them I will tell you again Jasper Hayes was wounded and taked prisner and Parold he is in Murfresboro yet I think I went out there but I did not see him hee ant hirt veary bad I dont think (sheet missing?)

Code: 60B

you said that it only freted those men back thare to say any thing to them about coming back hear all I have to say concerning this is that I doant respect them as men of responsability nor as men that regards there oath as being worth any thing I want them

to know it for I know that a small Caught?? wod not hinder aman from going that is aman this Republick is too grate a thing to throw a way for cotten for there has bin thousands of pounds birnt up but if they dont regard them selves I dont regard them nor any body hear nor they nead not expect to bee Respected so far as we are concerned if they doant come

Parents Brothers and Sisters I want you all to remember me I ask you to Continue your kind petitions as you have hear tofore to me I know that I hav not lived as I you would had me to doo and I declare before God that I will do as a Soldier aught to do So fare well at present

Daniel Moore
to Johnathan Moore

Code: 3A

January 13th 1863
Camp Near Murfresboro Tenn
Dear Parents

I Again take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well hoping these few lines will find you all well and doing well I Received your leter bearing date Jan 1st the last leter that I have got Ben Burnett got heare on the 11th the boyes is all well that is hear Tell Mr. Haye's that I saw Jasper to day he was able to come out hear he was wounded in the left side he wrote for Mr. Hayes to come after him imeadiately the Rebels Paroled him. I have wrote several leters to you since the batle if you dont get them I will give alist of the batle again I sent my likeness by Denham you said that you got the leter I want to know whether you got it or not I also sent you a paper by Capt Briants Brother and a Jermen Commition the Commition I found on the batlefield save them for me I will send you a question Book the first chance the first chance I think that we will get to come home again before long there is a petition to that affect up now I think I cant tell how true _____ I hope it is so.

Code: 3B

secret

I gave Jasper Hayes a Note to day for twenty two Dollars if you have got the Money in paper I want you to pay him if you hant got the paper when he comes home tell him and I will send it as soon as I draw Thomas D Jinkens is Witness to the Note.

So No more at present
Daniel Moore

Code: 58A

January 18th 1863

Camp Near Murfresboro Tenn

Dear Parents and friends I again take the opportunity of writing you a few lines to let you know that I am well at this time hoping these few lines will find you all well and doing well The boys is all well that is and in fine spirits Dear Parents how I would like to be there again there is a probability that we will get to come to Ky and I hope it will be so but I cant tell whether it will be or not I must say to you that we have bin in two engagements at this place and they was tremendous?? to think of with out being in them we got our Captain killed that was distressing for such a man as him to be killed by the Rebels we had ??? wounded in our Company Some of them Very Seriously hurt I wrote all the perticklers and I hant time now Mr. hayes has Just come and sayes that he is going back tomorrow if he can he informs me that you are all well and I am very glad to hir it the last leter I got was dated Jan 1st

Code: 58B

I sent you a Jermen Commision that I found on the batlefield and a paper I sent then by Capt Briants Brother keep them for me I sent my likeness by denham let me know whether you got them or not I am going to send you a Book that was found on the field to Keep pay Jasper hayes \$22 if you have got the Greenbacks and if you hant got it wait till I draw and I will send it to you the Note is witnessed by T.D. Jinkens I wrote what for you to do for for you dont get it I will write it again a nuf on such as that I must close by asking you to remember me in the troublesome life that we are living I long to see the day when we can all come together in peace when we can act apone the free privlidges Garenteed to us by our for fathers

Daniel Moore

Johnathan Moore

Code: 14A

January 18th 1863

Camp Murfresboro Tenn

Father the Probability is that we will come to Ky I think that I will find out before Mr. Hayes leaves if I do I will let you know it and if we doant I will let you know it if we come I want you to come and See me when we draw money if I dont get to come home but I think that we will get to come home the report is that we have to Gard a train to Nashville I cant wait to see whether we go back or not.

Daniel Moore

Code: 14B

Read leters to your self When I write you any think Pertickler Dont let it out
Daniel Moore

Code: 30A

January the 26th 1863
Camp Near Murfreesboro Tenn
Dear Parents Brothers Sisters

I again availe my selfe of the oppportunity of writing you a few lines to let you know that

I am in fine health at this time Hoping these lines will find you all well I hant heard from you in some time the last leter that I wrote was by Mr. Dickeson the Report has bin that the mail was stoped or I would have wrote oftener though I have wrote 5 or 6 Since the batle I hant much to write to you the boyes is all well and in fine Spirits Except B. Burnett he ant well he hant don any duty since he came up nor I dont think that he will do much soon. he complains of his brest. Lieut. Coyl came up yesterdy we made a box to the Capts Body in to Cary him home his Brother takes it very hard about his Brother. I saw a man from Illinoi the other day after his son that was killed hear It is aveary Solemn thing to think of to see so meny men slaughtered by the Enemy you may think that we will come home before long but I will tell you that it wont bee soon I thought that we would Get to come before long but I have Give that over I think that this wor will last along time yet anyhow we will git stay our three years out if we live long enoughf The report is that they have orderd out troops to Protect Ky.

Code: 30B

A few lines and I must close I want to see you all very bad the prospect is very Gloomy to me at this time we thought that we would bee sent back but that is all Gon up the Spout. and I am confident that peace wont bee made soon I think that there will bee some fighting to do before long but dont let any of the soldjere find this out I hope that we wont have to fight any our selves though I cant tell how it will bee I want you to all remember me I will try to do beter the next time So no more yours farewell Daniel Moore
To Johnathan Moore

Code: 28A

January 29th 1863
Camp Near Murfreesboro Tenn
Dear Parents

I again Availe myself of the Opertunity of writing you a few lines to let you know that I am in fine health at this time and have bin ever since I left home I would bee glad to see you all but I cant tell when I will Get the chance I hant herd from you in a good while the last leter that I Got was dated January 1st 63 I have wrote severel since the batle but I cant Get a singel line from yo the male is stoped is the case a goodeal... I must close shortly my self and Lieut Mayes are going to send this by Lieut. Chineth 9.0. Clock I must close if any Soldger is coming up try to send afew lines write how you are all Geting along. We are Going to draw Mony in a short time

Daniel Moore
Daniel Moore
To Johnathan Moore

Code: 28B

Thomas D. Jinkens is well and in fine Spirits in short the boyes is all well Tell BG Crawford that WM Woodcock?? and John M Holand is well I want him to write to me when the way Gets open Tell all the Neighbors and friend all that my bee concerned that I would bee glad to see them and bee with them will answer any body that will write to me I herd from Hagards men when Grider come up Comers and Apolas?? Thy?? was all well he sayed and hearty they are in camp near Nashville Thy have to picket I sent severel things or started them let me know whether you got them or not. Some of them I want you to keep We thought that we would Get to come to Ky but I cant tel how that will bee I think that is Gon up the Spout I think we will have to stay our time out for my part I can do it and stay longer if it is necessary I hope that we wont hav it to do I am redy and willing I can stay in camp as long as any body if it is required of me

Code: 11A

Camp near Murfreesboro Tenn Feb 1/63

Dear Parents

I again take the oportunity of writing you afew lines to let you know that I am well at this time and do hope these lines will find you all well last Sunday was a week a go I had the sick Headache Just like I use to hav it I cant tell how often I have wrote since the batle and cant get a Singel word, the two last leters that I wrote was one by HW Mayes and one by Mail the 7th/63 the last leter that I Got was dated Jan 1st/63 I think I want you to write to me and let me know how the people is Concerning Abolition Lincon pracklimation and the hole Concerne There is a Site of excitement in the army I fear it will terminate bad before it is don with. I See there is Severel Abs in our army and thay ant much shame of it. Som say they will fight an Abolition fight I wont fight for the South nor I wont fight for the Abs. I will creep in an Inkstand or Som other litle place first.

I hope that the exitement wil dy out before long and our army will prosper if it dont we are Gon up the Spout for Ninty Dayes

Code: 11B

B N Burnett has bin sick Not fit for Duty since he has bin with the redgment he is tolerable well at this time he Sayes he has wrote 2 leters and hant got aney answer and he wants to know of his mother if she hant wrote he wants to know how Wm is geting along and how he is giting along with his work he wants to know whether H W Mayes is at home or not. he Requests his Mother and Brothers to write to him Tell Martha

Bentley that Don Bentley is well. he desires to see you all but expects the time long
befor he will bee permitted to Go home in peace

to Mrs S. Burnett

Mother I would lik to bee at home with you and the rest of the family but I fear it will
bee along time before I can obtain that privlidge I want you to Remember me when the
dark cold and raney nights come when we have to bee on duty So No more

Daniel Moore

To Johnathan Moore

At Home by the politeness of a friend

Code: C

February 2nd/1863

Camp Near Murfreesboro Tenn

Dear Parents Brothers and Sisters

I agan avail my self of the oportunity of writing you afew lines to let you know that I
am in tolerable health at this time I had the Sick Headache last night prety ny like I use
to have it I feel very well this morning I am able to tend to my buisness I think it is
coal that is working on me infact I know it is Dear Parents I hope these lines will find
you all well and doing well I hant herd from you in about a month I would like to hear
from you all in Monroe but there hant bin any direct newes in a good While from there
I have sent severel leters since the batle I sent one by Capt. Dickison and I sent a book
I want Emry to have the Book to remember me by I want him to learn to read it tell
him that it came off the Batle Ground at Murfrees boro Tenn I sent a Jerman Comision
that I found thare I want it kep till I come home if I ever do come that is un known to
me but I think that I will come som time or other though thare is fighting to aney
amount to do yet I cant tell what will become of me we cant Muster more than 150
men for Duty now and we started with a full Redgmt and only half the time Expired I
hope that thy will get well and come up So no more on that at present After resting and
taking my dinner I will write a few more lines the probability is that H W Mayes will
cary this for me

After Daniel Moore and as hav the chance I will rite som

Dear father & Mother

and Sister I take my pen in hand to let you no I am well at this time and I hope that
these lines may find you all well and doing well I hav nothing of intrest to rite to you at
this time I would bee glad to see you all and bee with you and bee at home in peas and
harmony it would bee more satisfaction to me than any thing els I could mention or
think of I got aleter from the boys 2 or 3 days ago ana they was both well and harty it
was rote the 2th day of January they was still at helana in Ark I hav had no leters from
you in a good while I would bee glad to hear from you I hav got no leters since ben
burnet and Smith girden?? left home I hav rote 3 leter to you since the batle Lieutenant
Mays is is going home and he can tell you all more about the fight than I can rite and I
hope th tim ant far off when wee all can com home to stay so I will bring my leter to a

close ever remaining your son and brother giv my lov and compliments to all the friends

Thomas D. Jinkens to
Abraham & Jane ann &
Elisabeth J Jinkens
so fare well

Code: C

though I cant tell if he dont I will tell the reason in the next leter ____ Tell Mr. B. G. Crawford that I would like for him to write to me if he pleases and if he dont pleas write any how.

I would like to see all the friends in Old Monroe Co. whether they want to see me or not would bee glad that they would writ to me it is more satisfaction to read a leter than anything that I can do Mother I sent my Likeness by Denham I want to know whether you Got it on not it was Drawn the 16th Dec.

Mother it appears to me that it would bee more satisfaction to me to bee with you when I feel feeble like I do this day than any thing that cold be mention earthly

No body is so Near as a Mother when I become weak and feeble Mother I can in amagination see you these cold and rany nights when I try to sleep and wake with coald O it is awfull but for the sake of honor and peace and the Government I will stay hear till the veary hairs of my head are Gray?? before I will Go home and my fellow soldjer?? stay and fight and say to me why didnt you come and fight to our side After T.D. Hasbin writing some I will write afew more lines I want you to write and send me a leter by hand if you can find aney of the soldjers that Is coming up hear So I will come to a close

To Johnathan Moore/Daniel Moore

Code: 40A

Camp near Murfreesboro Feb 7th/63

Dear Parents

I again take the oportunity of writing you afew lines to let you know that I am well at this time and hope these few lines will find you all well it has bin along time since I heard from you the last leter that I got was dated Jan 1st/63. it looks like I cant get any more news I cant tell how many leters I have wrote since the batle the last one I sent it by HW Mayes I also sent one to Belew by him I wrote to Aunt Mary Ann Stone on the 5th of Feb/63 I want you to write to them and tell them to write to me tell them how to Direct ther litere?? write to me as soo as you can and let me Know the opinion of the people concerning Tincons?? Procklimation and your General views on the subject I can only hope for the beter our army is Confused Som of them say that thy wont fight any longer thy will desert I wont fight for the southeren confedracy nor I wont fight for Abolition it ant Constitutional it ant my principal and I wont bee Govrened by any such. Father I dont think that this war can bee setled easey nor shortley though I may be deceived and hope that I am It appears like it is divided and Subdivided the Ky ans

is all dissatisfied. I am a fraid that Ky will loos all her Honor at last Jery if you ever had any notion of Volinteerem for your Good I say it hold on till you see how it is going to terminate.

Code: 40B

Mother I sent my like ness and several other things and I want to know whether they came to hand or not so I must close I want you all to remember me I forgot TD is well he was promoted to Sergt. the other day the boyes is all well and in camp in a good place

Daniel Moore
To Johnathan Moore & family

Code: 9A

Camp near Murfreesboro
Ruthiford Co Tenn Feb
Feby 16th/1863

Dear Parents

It is with inexpressable Joy that this evening take the oppertunity of writing you a few lines which will inform you that I am well, and do hope this will find you all well, I received a letter from you to day bearing date Feby 8th/63 I was glad to hear from home for this is the Seckand letter in this year I got one dated Jan 1st and this is all I cant a count for it

Code: 9B

TD got al letter to day he is well and in fine spirits and so is all the boyes that is hear Ben is well at the present but he hant bin aney of the time of a count since he came to the redgment We have a prety hard time we are on duty three dayes and off one. our Duty is picket Forage and work on the fortification we hant time to do any thing hardly the excitement ant as hi as it was a few dayes ago a bout the negroes?? I think they ant a going to talk as much and act more I hope that they wont arm the Negroes if they do I think that there will bee an other army to make and it will bee out of our army and the rebels to whip th Abs I am one to whip then if it is necessary for to eynalise my self with them I will bee in the servis till three years and till 3 time 3 that is a thing that I cant bear and I dont think that we will have to.

Well Mother I dont think that I will be subject to the headache I had coal was the mater

Code: 9A

I must close
We mave to git?? our paroles to Draw money So fare well
Daniel Moore

Code: 15A

Murfreesboro Tenn Feby 22nd/63

Mr. Comer

Dear Sir

It is with inexpressable Joy that I this evening take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well at this time. Since arily hoping these few lines will find you all well and doing well I received your leter yestorday?? which gave me grate Satisfaction to hear from you. the boyes is all well as commen and in fine Spirits

Code: 15B

I received a letter from home a few dayes ago they was all well. Woolford is in our country at the present and I hope they will stay thare. you Say that you are all enclined to want to go home we are all in the same fix hear. but if I can get out honorable I would be off like a jug handle but I cant see how a man can get out honorable therefore I shall stay as long as I can and hope for the better I think that we will have beter times before long. I would like to see you all very much if you come close to our camp I want you to come and see us after thinking of G. Washington and listing to to the report of canons I shall have to close Give my best love and respects to all who may bee concerned

Daniel Moore

To Wm?? J. Comer

John H Apollos

Nelson Crow

Code: 42A

Camp near Murfreesboro

Ruthiford Co. Tenn March

Dear Parents

I again avail my self of the oppertunity of writing you a few lines which will inform you that I am well at this time.

And can consciencially say that my health is better than it ever was. I received a letter on the 1 that you started by Jasper Hayes I suppose it was mailed at Nashville the frank was so dim I could not tell. we have a fine time tolerable hard Duty to perform The boyes is all tolerable well & in better Spirits than they have bin since the batle they have paid us 4 Months and sint rolls for 2 mores?? I guess they will pay us off and start us toward the rebbels again. we hear the rebbels is going back into Kentucky again if they do we will bee after them I hear that they have caught severel more of the Gurillers. They tore up the railroad yesterday some whir about Bowling green I don Know the place, I forgot it I saw some of the men that was on the car. the car run off and they captured it got the mail and was examining it when our men