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Dear and Respected Father

Your last letter to us was received with gladness. I had not heard from you before for a long time. We ^{who} are at home are enjoying our accustomed health, and all the temporal blessings that we really need, and more than we deserve. It is my desire to try to live a Christian life, but I am well aware that I do not come up to my duty, and privilege. We received letters from both of our soldier boys last week, they were well. Hollis has been in the army over a year, he has most of the time enjoyed good health, he was very sick in July. We heard of it Saturday night by the way of a letter from one of his fellow soldiers, and the next Monday started Hiram with some things which would be for his comfort, also in hope he could get him home. Hiram went into Arkansas, to their camp, and found Hollis had been sent to the Hospital in Illinois, so he had to come

back more than 200 miles before he found
him, by that time he had recovered his health,
and was helping take care of other sick ones.
He has gone back to his regiment, they are in
Missouri, on the route they tramped over last
winter and spring. The regiment Hiram is in
is near Memphis Tennessee. Having two boys
in the army, we with others feel greatly
interested in the struggle for freedom and
peace. If our boys were prepared to die, I
should feel reconciled to give them up.
I hope they may be influenced in some
way to seek forgiveness, and preparation for
whatever may await them. I have not had
any letter from Enos in a long time.
The weather for a few days has been quite
winter like, pretty cold, with a slight sprinkle
of snow, today is rainy.

Luther's family are usually well
Your Daughter, Mary,



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