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Sams. Mills Tenn

March 1. 7. 1864

Dear Brother & Sister. I received your kind letter to day and was truly glad to hear from you your kind letter found me well. I am the only man at this time with the company from Gasper Township. I have not seen Frank Overholser for near 4 months he is working on the Railroad. Mart Shewmon and B. F. Gardner is at Nances Mills running the engine Charley Campbell and Ben Saylor are at Tullask. They was well the last time that I heard from them. Good for old Gasper. He has don fine during the rebellion thus far. I

am glad to see that she
has patriotts enough yet
to venture to suppress
this rebellion with out a draft
though by the inset draft it
is going to be diffi cult to
get volunteers so handy
Thomas Stephens is very
foolish to run after Bon
there is quite a number
of boys in my co that
was only 12 years old when
they came in to the service
they make the best of soldier
s they may be wild at
first though they will be
come of all that tear them
up once or twice will ne
ber men of them it makes
the wildest boys gentil
well we look for these recruits
from Treble here soon

The Veterans that went from
Cor. are now at home enjoy
ing a furlow with there friends
at home many of them have
not been home for three years
they can most assheuredly
enjoy a furlow this spring
Carnegie will bring
the war to a close. I think
there is not much
news to interest you
So I will close and expect
to here from you soon
Give my love and best
respects to all enquiring
friends if any there be
write soon and tell me the
particulars of the country
nothing more. I remain
Your affectionate Bro
ther ^{Wm. A. Burns} ~~Wm. A. Burns~~
Lon. James, C. & Mary Burns
Govd. By

Dear Mother
I received your kind letter
of the 15th and was glad
to hear from you and
to hear that you were
well. I am well at present
and hope these few lines
will find you all the same.
I have not much news
to write at present. I
am still in the same
place and doing the same
work. I have not seen
any of our friends here
for some time. I have
not heard from any of
you for some time. I
hope you are all well
and happy. I have not
time to write you more
at present. I must close
for this time. I will
write you again soon.
I love you all very
much.
Your affectionate son
John Smith