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Dear Mother

Having some time to spare I thought I would write you a few lines to pass the time away. The weather has been very fine this week till this morning when it changed to rain and I think by the looks out of doors that we will have a wet day. howsoever I am not on to day so let it come. I am well at present and hope these few lines will find you all enjoying the same great Blessing. There was a sad accident happened just above our Barracks the Government teams were going by loaded with wood when they were on the car track they

were whistled at a signal by
 the Conductor and pulling off
 of the track he fell off and one
 of his wheels to his waggon run
 over his head killing him
 instantly, we were Mustered ^{day} Tues^{day}
 and got 4 Months pay ^{also}. Also
 I will send some home soon
 I sent some books home and
 name you can get them at
 the Office if they went through
 Mr. Linley is here. he is going
 to stay till Monday when he
 thinks he will leave for
 home. Saturday I suppose will
 be a big day here in Washington
 and I hope it will be a good
 day some of the 130th Boys were
 here Tuesday James Evans was
 with them he look first rate.
 I must draw to a close give
 my love to all the Family and
 write when you can and let

We know how you all
get along give my respects
to James Perkins and all
folks write soon.

From Willard, N. C. Cutter