

Franklin Plains Tennessee
 March 30th 1863

Dear Wife

I avail myself of this opportunity of writing you a few lines to let you know that I am in tolerable good health at this time and hoping that this may find you and the rest of the family enjoying the same blessing. My health is not as good now as it has been for some time past, but nothing is the matter more than a bad cold and a little rheumatism in my left leg, but I think that I will get better as soon as the weather turns warmer. The weather is very cold and cloudy and some snow is falling to day, and indications of a heavy snow falling before the weather settles. We expect to leave this place in a few days and go west of Murfreesville, on

