

NAN TO MACK

Nov 17<sup>th</sup>

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My Dear one Mc I thought I would right a littel more to you this morning to let you know how I am getting. well I am getting along fine our boy is a week ould this morning and I Set nearly all day yesterday and am up this morning and fe[e]l like I could Sit up all day today the baby is just as good as he can be he dont cry a bit at night to worry me or keep me from Sleep Oh Mc how I wish you could See the little rat I know you would love the little thing So dearly and it Seams So hard to think you are denied this privilage of Seeing the littl[e] fellow but I feel just like you will get a furlough this winter and come to see us and then wont I be glad and happy fore a while Mc the baby is So mutch company fore me I dont think the time will Seam half So long as it did it Seams to me that his little company has paid for all his trouble all readdy Mc you must be Shure and Send a a name for I want you to name him eney thing that you like and I will like it Shure well I will Stop fore this time as I am a little nervous and make lots of crouked letters Mc I got that letter that pap Sent to me with the too dollars in it he directed it to Mrs Henry Mc Ewing and that was the reson that I did not get it it had bin to the dead letter office and was opened and then Sent back and I got it the too dollars was in it all right I rote to pap and mus yesterday told them we had a boy I got a letter from lydia this week She feals dreadful bad about Alvin She has not mutch hope of ever seeing him again but I have great hope that we will yet hear [from] him Mc I know it must make you soulders feel bad to go into a battle and come a way without some of your home friends So good by this time

friday 18<sup>th</sup> after noon I will try now to finish my letter I received yours of the 4 Monday evenng I was glad as I all ways am to get another letter from you fore the last to or three week I got your letters monday evenng I feel first rate to day feel like I could go to work but you know I would not dare to yet a while mother thinks She will Start to Steubenvill [Ohio] next week if I Still keep better we have a verry good girl at work here it has bin raining here nearly all week I aulway[s] think of you when it is raining and Storming and wonder where you are and how you are fixed fore comfort you Said you had draw you some Shirts and socks and Sined fore an over coat. I have bin thinking about you not haveing enney big coat and wondered what you done when it was could or raining and you had to be out Mc I will be So glad when [you] get into winter quarters then I will fix you up a nice box of provison and Send to you O Mc if I could only make you comfortable how glad and willingly I would do it but this I cant do. but I hope the time will come when we can be to gether as a little family then I know we be happy but oh to think of the many thousand Sad harts that this ware has caused almost makes me think that I can never feel only nery but Sad Margret and clinton was here Sundy the[y] feal dreadful about Caleb death wel I will Soon Stop this letter as I have nothing of importance to right I hope you have got the letter that tells about the boy by this time the little fellow Seams to be perfectly well and harty Mc I dont know as you can read this fore it is so porely rote I rote it in my lap on a book right as often as you can fore I am aulways So glad to get your letters it Seams so mutch like talking with you John rote a Short letter last week but I forgot to Send it So I will Send it in this So good by I remain as ever your trew companion Still remember me in all your prayers this I know you do Mc keep in good hart as you can fore if we live to meet again your Nan to Mc Ewing good by Mc