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Description: Family letter to Charles Cole

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get it for you I shall be in
Portland as soon as I can my work
drives me very much perhaps
I shall not be in untill about
two weeks from (tomorrow or
next day) unless you are sick
or something of the kind hapens,
I see by the papers that the soldiers
are enlisten from camp Lincoln
to go into three years servise be
put into old regiments
dont you enlist by no means
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in by any of them, it is thought
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your mother sends her love to
you & wants you to be a good boy
and take care of yourself.

The children all wants to see
you very much come home if
you can, if you can get away
you will have chances with ~~some~~^{some}
of the Sebago folks that are in
to bring you up & I will git you
back

don't fail to write
bub is very pleased with the
wistle you sent him he says
Charles has gone to catch old
Jeff Davis,

Benja Cole

I shall be down as soon as I
can, if you want me to come
sooner than two weeks let me
no if you can B, Cole

Remember me to the B

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but he said he could not think of
any thing to write and he wanted
^{how} to write one himself after he knew
to direct it. Iantha wants you to
write to her and she will write to you

Susan and I is going to write
to you after we know where to direct
one, they have a great Panorama
next thursday evening father, & mother
and Horatio & Frank ^{going} (we got that letter
you wrote Tuesday night after we had
gone to bed)

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