

[TO: DORA K ADAMS
CASCO, WEBB'S MILLS, ME]

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Description: W.B. Adams letter from near Richmond

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&c. My Overcoat I got tired carrying
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