



Savannah, Ga.
the
Monday July 10 1865

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Dear. Elzira, I rece[^]ved a letter from Mother this morning was glad to hear that you was all well and that billy was so smart I have to write for the first time since I left ~~left~~ home that my helth is not very good at present but is improving I was taken sick the morning of the fourth with the colic it lasted half the day then the Diarreeah sot in, I had it very bad for a few days, but am now entirely well of it, only I am weak yet I got me a bottle of brandy & some loaf sugar is what cured me. I went to the Doct every morning untill this morning he would give me pills & powders but I did not take many of them

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Description: William Haley to his daughter

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have mooved our camp nearer
the city, it is a fine place,
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