

Camp, Dawson Alabama
Sep 1 (The) 1863

My dear Cousin

I thought I would set my self down
and drop you a few Lines to let you
know that I have not forgotten you
and to inform you that my health
is very good and that I am still a Live
and doing well for a Soldier boy and
I hope these few Lines will find you
well and enjoying good health with
the rest of your folks, well how is all of the
girls in Brothertown? I would to know for we
boys are coming home to make one of these
Sparkin' times we can not wait time now
we something more important just now
we are are having good times here now
but I do not know how long it will last
for they tell me that do get is arming
half a million of rangers to fight us in
the field we are now in the Chalanorga
mountains but if it had any thing to
say about it it should call it the rocky

mountains, & altho it is warm enough here
in day time to broil beef & steak by sun
shine and cold enough to freeze us by
moon light how do you uncle Sam getting as
long with his harvesting in spode he is most
over with his harvesting please give my
best respect to him and I would like to
have him write to me when he has some
leisure time do you know who is going to be
drafted in our county for we expect to have
our regt filled up with conscripts I am hope
ing that firm Johnsons admira the man
I heard that firm had cut late out its a big
thing but I cant see it in that light but I
must hasten I suppose you have heard that
fort Sumter has fell and charlottesville and
fort waggoner is in our hands with mo
bile but I can not tel how long this
civil war will last some times I think
the rebs has got on don gon but it is
hard teling when they will be don
gon but there is right smart of them
hear yet that is the way the rebs

Talk mal as long as there is life there
is hope and I am hoping that this rebellion
will soon come to a close and I for one be
permitted to return home and shake the
glad hand of friendship with friends
at home the boys are all well from
town and hearty I never saw them
look better since we left old Davis
I heard that ged hammer had thrown
him self away I think he would don
bout as well to be a comrad with our boys
and bill peatens I heard to was married to
do on this I will bring my scribbles to a
close you will excuse my poor writing
and bad spelling this time hoping to
hear from you soon my best respect
to you all so I have no more to write this
time. please direct Newfreeshoro
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From George Sumson