



"4th Cent^l Quartermaster Cavalry" Division "
(Dist of West Tenn)
March 29th 1865 "

"Friend Abba"

Not having heard from you
or your Father for many months I now take
the responsibility to write you a few lines
not knowing whether they will be acceptable
or not but as it is I will leave that
for the future to reveal.

My Company has
gone to Vicksburg Mississippi as the
escort of "Major General Dana" and I
have not been with the Company for over
three months. I received a detail the 13th
of December in the Assistant Adjutant
Generals of 4th Cavalry Division and have remain-
ed here from that until the present time =

 Although it has been a mystery to me why they have kept me this long as my qualifications do not pronounce me a fit subject for a Clerkship" (they have probably taken compassion on me") But I can plainly see the folly of my "rattle headed foolishness" at school now. And it is also immaterial to me whether they keep me here or send me to my "Co" for either one will suit me."

I presume to say "Abba" that when you peruse the contents of this short note you will think strange as to what I meant but the fact is that I never have received an answer to the last Letter that I wrote you or your Father ^{and} I had almost come to the conclusion that I would not write again but as it is I have penned the following and remain with my best respects to you all

Very Respectfully Yours in haste.

"J. J. Keenuck"

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