

Esther I don't  
want you to believe  
any thing you here till  
you know it is so  
there is a multitude of lies  
told here ever day  
I am as well satisfied  
as I expected to be if I thought  
that your news was satisfactory  
I would be all right  
I find there is a great many  
ways to spend money here  
for I have mist my breakfast  
and will have to buy it if I  
get any I had to write before  
the mule went out  
now Esther I want you  
to write an often if you  
can for I like to talk  
with you no more at  
present but remains your  
affectionate husband E. White

Camp Mitchell  
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Dear wife I sit down this  
morning to inform you that  
I am well at present  
and hope that these lines  
may find you all well  
I received your well known  
letter last night at dark  
and was glad to hear from  
you I am writing this  
morning before sunrise  
I have not very much time to  
write wear in such a  
position that we have to  
be on guard and picket  
every two day more or  
less there is not much of  
interest to write

we have all the noon  
here that we want and  
more for the rebels  
threatens us every day or  
two but they are a fraud  
there was some fighting a  
mong the pekete yesterday  
and last night we were  
cold into line of  
battle about 9 o'clock  
and marched out to the  
fort and lay there about  
2 hours and no rebels  
came and then we  
marched back to quarters  
and it would tickle  
you to see how many  
sick men we have  
when they think we are going

The cavileeman brings in  
reces primors every day, and  
they are the hardest looking  
set of men that I ever  
saw they have no unifor  
but as desert in butter  
nut close  
we have got all the close  
we need, we have pants  
blouse & shirt & under  
shirts and cap over coat  
and a pair of socks and a  
pair of drawers  
I think that I will  
get to go to tomorrow  
day and if I do I will  
get my likeness take  
it is very hard to get  
away from camp

Camp Meitchel  
Sept 17/62

Dear wife I sit down this morning to inform you that I am well at present and hope that these lines find you all well. I received your welcome letter at dark and was glad to here from you. I am writing this morning before sunup. I have not very much time to write. we are in such a position that we have to be on gard and picket every two days more or less. there is not much of interest to write. we have all the noise here that we want and more too. the rebbels threten us every day or two but they are afraid. there was some fiting among the pickets yesterday and last night we were cald into line of battle about 9 o clock and marched out to the fort and lay there about 2 hours and no rebbels came and then we marched back to quarters and it would tickel you to see how manysick men we have when they think we are going into fighting. The cavilremen bring in new prisoners every day and they are the hardest looking set of men that I ever saw. they have no uniforms but are drest in-----close. We have yet all the close we need. we have pants, blouse, 2 shirts, 2 undershirts and cap (and) overcoat and 2 pare of socks and 2 pare of drawers.

I think that I will get to go to town today and if I do I will get my likenefs taken. it is very hard to get away from camp.

Esther I dont want you to believe every thing you here tell. you know it is ----- . there is a multitude of lies told here everday. I am as well satisfied as I expected to be if I-----

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I find there is a grate many ways to spend money here for I have mist my breckfast and will have to by it if I get any. I had to write before the male went out. Now Esther I want you to write as often as you can for I like to talk with you no more at present but remain you affectionate husband.

signed E White

(The empty spaces are words that could not be deciphered)