

Jan 9, 1863

Dear Mother  
 I received your kind letter  
 of the 7th and was glad  
 to hear from you and  
 to hear that you were  
 all well. I am well  
 at present and hope  
 these few lines will  
 find you all the same.  
 I have not much news  
 to write at present.  
 I am still in the  
 army and hope to  
 be home soon.  
 I love you all very  
 much and hope to  
 see you all very  
 soon.  
 Your affectionate son,  
 J. R. Clark

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Mr A. G. Richards

Van Buren

Dr Sir

Your favor duly received  
Enclosed please find  
check on Merchants Bank  
10.00 to pay bill for service  
on M.R.

I am very sorry to  
learn of your misfortune, and  
hope you may soon recover.

Wishants beful us  
and it is hard, yet - the disci-  
pline seems to be required to  
remind us of the blessings of  
health.

Let us know when you  
receive the check. Yours Truly

J. R. Clark

For Land Agent