South Carolina
Desert
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I take this opportunity to let you know that we are all well at present and having these few lines will find you all. The same we are near Sea Brook Island about twenty miles from Charleston we left Hilton Head about a month ago and left all our clothing and things unloading that are wanted and I left my money at the head. This is the reason that I didn't write sooner. This is the first letter that I have wrote for about two months our regt has been on picket for a week
We are in now and cutting timber and building brest works the rebels is thundem sassy here for they no are hante aloud to shoot at them they come ridden out and shaken. Their sabers within gun shot of us. I understand that the hundred and twenty forth regt wouldnt stand fire it is reported down here that they run like suit heads we have bin drilled for nearly two years and they haint bust us that yet it is hard to tell what we may do but we have the first time to turn our tales to the rebels without orders. The reason ididnt send any money home the last payment was because.

I bought a revolver and cotages write soon and let me no how you are getin along with your office and how the crops looks they are given out farlows now for thirty days their is five out of our company now and mabe i may get one in a month or so. They have six or eight jits more to send first we have a better name for them but i haint tell hit now you modest looks for me before two or three months no more at present.

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To Elisa Pierce