Fernandina Fla
October 30, 1863

Dear father,

I take my pen in hand to let you know that we are all well at present and hope these few lines will find you all the same we left Morris Island the second of this month and come here we are doing garrison duty now and we have first rate times we only have one hour drill a day and plenty to eat and cargo Emos sent some money to you when we was on Morris Island and bateau started from here yet so you think I had better come home before I enlist again and I think...
i will for their

can't much talk about
it now and i guess i had
better let good enough alone
and let somebody else

try three years or during
the war in my place. That
is some of them fellows that
is faising their three hundred
dollars now. i was out a

gunner one day after wild

cattle. Their was ten of us

and the cold and three

or four other officers along

and we got three leaves

we went in wagons. we had
to go about twelve miles.
it took nearly all of the
time to go and come.

for we was only about

a hour killing the three

they was the first wild

ettle that i ever saw and

They was wild. They are as

wild as the fox is. When the

hounds gits after them we

had a big time with one

and he was a male. It took

three or four shots to kill

him. you say. That i have

sent a hundred and ninety

three dollars home in all.
it don't count my account

try and look over it again

and see. If you are not mist.
well i guess charleston
is not taken yet but when
it is taken you will get

here from it as soon

as we will. i forgot to

say that i received letters

from you and one from

merry jane no more.

at present write soon.

G. K. Pierce
Mr. Ezra Pierce
Wilmington