

James island
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Dear Sister
i take this opportunity to let
you no that we are all well
and hope that these few lines
may find you the same i
received your letter about a month
ago the reason that i didnt write
sooner was because we had
marching orders and i said
that i wouldnt write till i got
to charleston but we travel to
slowly that i would have
to let you no that we are
still alive we have bin
here for about nearly to
weeks the corn is out in
tassel down here and we
will soon have roasting
ears we are incamp close
to a field of corn of about 75
acres i hardly have time to

For we have to go on picket
about every other night
our regiments it was in line
of battle for nearly three days
last week we have had to
skirmishes and a snorten
old fight i have to go on
guard and i haint any more
time to rite i still remain
your brother J H Pierce