November The 21, 1863

Dear Wife with Pleasure I Seat
my Self to Drop you a few lines
to let you know that I am well and fat
and I hope those few lines may find
you and all the family enjoying
the same Blessing of God. Alexander
got here Saturd morning with our
Boxes Supe he came by Wilden
to see dixong co he starts back monday
knight I was Glad to get my Box
I think I can man it this time
I can eat any thing, / nothing
comes rong to me you ot ce have
I can eat I recived all your letters
I got one from John this morning
and one from Mother a few days ago
I wrote to Caldwell one but got
no answer the health of our fmt
is som better greu in the Hosp
very lo I dont think he will
live the rest of our mes is tolerable
well I S Cale is well

Well Mage you requested me
to write you two or three letters
I think I have dun fine in way
of writing to you dont you think
I am two mas Mag I write you all
the news I can start that I think
would do you any good I dont get any
time to write daylight as i am at work
and i cant git to write at night
til after 8 o clock after rool call
then i commence writing to Mag
when the rest is asleep the rain blows
my candel and makes it glimer
I never do you mind Dick Tom and Mary
about going wheat I dont low my
ground to be rented on terms
nearee I wants in my fresh land
and Snet I hant any doubt but tha
won like to cum in that way Sa the
wheat your self if you can get it
dun if you cant Sa as much as you
can tell uncle Jo to cut his oatsing
I can get the wheat cut if it is good.

Well Mag you wanted
me to write too or three
letters you must excuse
this poor sheet I have you
written something about
letting Henderson Lecompte do
[illegible]
I can tell you what
lies the matter you
send him as soon
as you can give it up
this place dont want to do
long nigger will go he bitter
and Leander & Sludge about

him a write to see if his
eyes will bear of it or
not if you get the
chance of a nigger
by se

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I believe I must
answer all your
request. I am getting
mighty tired it is now
a little o'clock writes
soon and often
and I will answer
give my love to all
be certain I am Ever
Dear Sister your
affectionate Brother
H. C. Caldwell
To Miss Caldwell
Holly Springs
Miss

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