

I guess I had better hold on now or you may  
think I will soon be off on a nigger hunt I rent  
Billie's paper this week pray for immortality  
my love to all your well yours truly as ever  
Abner Jones

Albert my son your parts of the letter I have  
read and am glad you are going a long I would not  
then you would not work out for there is plenty of  
work to do at home there is wood cut in the  
woods that ought to be haled up before winter  
Mother will furnish what things you want and  
as you desire me to not say any more about  
suzer that cuts me off from any fun for you  
know I must have a little some how or other  
but as you request it I suppose I must stop  
then less talk of something more profitable  
do you read the Bible often and pray for your  
self and mine I hope you do good by for the  
present your father affectionately  
Abner Jones

To the baby I have not got that little let  
ter yet but expect it soon enclosed you  
will find your leaf and a flower picked  
in Mrs Linkens garden take care of it till  
I come home your father  
Abner Jones

C. W. W. Nov 20, 1862  
Washington - Hospital  
Mount Pleasant Hospital  
Tomb to Washington D.C. for 20th 1862  
Dear wife and family yours of the 16th is before  
me also it <sup>letter</sup> by way of the regiments at Harrington  
Junction dated as follows Col 29th Col 30th Col 9th Col  
4th all of which give me much good information  
I am glad you are all doing as well as you can  
I now it is making very hard here a money day  
we know is my day for sleeping but I will in place  
of sleeping write you a few lines and tell you how  
I got a long I cannot complain much but I have  
a dis-ease in my head when I walk much but  
that is not very bad now at all events I do not  
expect to be here long for all I hear will soon  
be moved to hospital north on the route to their  
regiments so where I go will depend on how far  
I get well as for me I am contented and not  
hard to please that you know my mouth is well it  
last so when I have nothing else to do I smoke a  
little I got your birth day letter the first of this  
week and if I had been where you was there would  
be a little whipping done for I had nearly  
forgot you had a birth day remember mine come  
off about the first of January till the old white  
master on that day and let the friends eat him  
and all drink a taste of cider that before another  
comes the man will be over Albert writes that  
huffman's note is collected 46.74 how does that  
come it should be about seventy dollars 47.00