

Bowling Green Sep. 16th 1862

Dear brother Wiram

By the blessing of God I am yet permitted to enjoy good health, and I hope that these few lines may find father, mother & you enjoying the same. From the heading of this you will notice where we are: it is some time since I received the last letter from home sweet home, which was written the 12th ult. I suppose there are letters at Louisville for me, but on account of communication being cut off between here & there letters cannot come through, the last mail we received was sent from Louisville the 28th ult. The principal part of the western army is now at this place, according to the latest accounts we have exchanged positions with the reb army, last winter we were at Green River & Buchner at this place, now we are here and Bragg is in our rear, with as estimated some 40,000 men, last accounts state that he was at Glasgow some 25 miles East of this place, it is supposed that Buchner is some where in Ky. with a force. Last Saturday the train went out from this place, proceeded some 23 miles toward Louisville, where it was flagged by a couple citizens who stated that part of the track was destroyed, & that some of the enemy was at Horse Shoe Bend about 8 miles this side of Green River.