

Letter from Con to his Parents

Stationery has picture of an army camp with a large American flag flying. A soldier stands guard, holding a rifle with bayonet. A circular sign shows two men facing each other with hands together and the words "UNITED WE STAND DIVIDED WE FALL" are printed in an arc above them. In its beak, an eagle holds a banner that reads "E PLURIBUS UNUM" The word "KENTUCKY" appears below the circular sign.

the 21st 1863

Murfreesboro feb [sic]

Much loved parents I will attempt [sic] to write you a few lines i [sic] am not yet well i [sic] have got over the fever but i [sic] have the diarreeah [sic] and i [sic] am weak but i [sic] am better than i [sic] was a few days since i [sic] sent you 20 dollars in a letter it will start tomorrow or next day it is in charge of lieutenant schofield [sic] uncle Jon sends some to Jon shields [sic] some by the same man he will mail it at detroit [sic] or carry it to gaines [sic] I must close it is araining [sic] on my paper write soon and often good evening

Con

[This letter is spotted with smears]