

John M. Hook Letters

No. 1 Murfreesboro, Tenn [sic]

June the 2d, 62.

Dear Bro.

On a grate [sic] hurrah I write you these few lines as we leave soon for parts not known. we will leave in two hours.

I am well. and able for the work. [illegible] is not Bamer and aaron [sic] [illegible] will be left behind we will carry 7. seven days Ration with us. It is a big load.

I will close.

your Brother

John M Hook

Undated Letter

Mr [sic] M Hook

It is with the gratest [sic] of pleasure that I seat myself to write you a few lines I am well. May those few lines find you the same. The order has come to drill. I will await till 2 come Back no more

John M Hook

Well iam [sic] well and hope these few lines will find you well owed [sic] man you must [illegible] let me now [sic] how my old woman is giten [sic] along sens [sic] I [sic] left thare [sic]

David Beck [illegible] for hell and old abe [sic] linken [sic] and the conscri [sic] low [sic]

Daniel Beck

Notice of Sale

Notice

Notice is hereby Given that I will on the Twentieth day of July 1863 at Ten Oclock [sic] AM proceed to sell to the highest Bider [sic] one RW cow Taken up by [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] Township Bartholomew Indiana at the Residence of the said [illegible] as our Animel [sic]] Not Entitled by Law to Pasture upon the Public's Common

July 10th 1863 Matthias Hook

Constable

Chattanooga, Tennessee Sept the 25th 1862.

Respt [sic] Brother.

And friends in gen[cut off]

after a long march through the states of tennessee. [sic] alabama. [sic] and part of Georgia [sic] and faught [sic] a grate [sic] Battle. I seat myself to let you know that I yet live and am well hope you the same.

Brother I cant [sic] give the Particulars all [illegible] present. we went to [illegible] Battle on the 19th of the month at three aclock [sic]. PM and faught [sic] till after dark during which time we three times charged the enemy at one charge. we took a battery Which they had taken from Thomas. our third charg [sic] we was Repulsed which throwed [sic] the boys out of order. we rallied and checked. The evenig [sic] we stood on line and shot from five till after dark. The enemy gave way left us masters of that field the lost of the enemy was grate [sic] while that of ours was very heavy. darkness put an [illegible] the slughter [sic]. [illegible] fell back and got our napsacks [sic] and tried to sleep. But sleep was not for us. The ded [sic] and wounded lay on the field Sunday [sic]. came oh what a Sunday [sic] was it to us Never do I want to see another such.

We stoled [sic] a few moments to throw up some log to serve as Bress [sic] works at about 8 oclock [sic] The Rebs attacted [sic] on the left of our division in 15 minutes we was again engaged on the mighty work. We our Regt fought aganst [sic] a hole [sic] Brigade and held them at bay. This time we fought 3 [illegible] we fired over 19 [illegible] to the man never [illegible] any army fight so well in the world.

I will have to come to a close. I cant [sic] Right [sic] at the present as we are looking all the time to have to go to fight. The Rebs is heavy reinforced by lee [sic] and johnson [sic] longstreet [sic] and others I hear. They fare [sic] out number [sic] us we was forced to fall back to this place. The battle was fought in georga [sic] 8 miles from hear [sic]. The boys all fought well but one his name I will withhold.

All honors is due [illegible] [illegible] 7 [illegible] himself at once all the boys is well. I will give the names of the Killed and wounded our col. was killed. our Lieut [sic] col. was wounded. our company loss as follows

In killed we lost too [sic] sergent [sic] sam [sic] Hiner William Fowl.

In wounded.

John Pond thigh

John McCombs Back

Wess Huston hand.

Lewis Brown hand.

John Anderson face.

Cisero Row. face

[cut off] Tarisr leg.

[cut off] Briner thigh

George Paten. leg.

James Parr. body

lige [sic] Haskin boath [sic] legs

Lafayette carrel [sic]. head

Thomas smith [sic] leg.

This is as fare [sic] as I know now. I will Right [sic] to father in a few days and you can see it for the present I will close. Herod is alright [illegible] John Vickrey an [sic] alf [sic] and all the Rest

Your Brothers

John M Hook

Write soon

let father see this

John M

Murfreesboro Tennessee March 18th 1863

Mr [sic] Hook

Dear Sir

I once more have the opertunity [sic] of Writing you a few lines to let you know that I am well. I hope this Note will find you and your family Enjoying the same Blessing.

Well Mat I hardly know what to write you. I Suppose you Saw [illegible] On the pappers [sic] of the Avacuation [sic] of Vicksburg and Reinforceing [sic] old Braggs [sic] Army who Swars [sic] they will crush our Army from the Face of the Earth but If they was to See the Fortifications that we have they would think different we are aexpecting [sic] them to attact [sic] us Every morning we are ready for them at any time I hope they will come If we half [sic] to fight this is as good a place as we can give from what I can hear you will half [sic] to Fight the Battle [illegible] of Indiana about the time the Draft takes Place I am in hopes the Draft Will Bring Every Man that Belongs to the Butternut and I think If they was out hear [sic] It would not be long till we would clean the South and I am In favor of Freeing the Negroes or any thing like that the President thinks will Put this Rebellion Down and then when we git [sic] through with the Present affaires [sic] we can Settle the Negro Question when this Is over If It kneeds [sic] any I think Probably It will For to have the Negroes to Live with us would never do I hope that Is not the [illegible] to Free them and let them stay with us This Is no time to [illegible] Politics or [illegible] about the Negroes Show them the musket has Become the general order of

the day well It Is about [illegible] time So I will close my letter By telling you that a letter
In answer to this would Be [illegible] Excepteful [sic] with me

Ever your Cousin

Barmer Sears