## Noble Stone Letter

State of Tenn [sic] Jackson County Feb the 2, 1862

A Friend

Dear father I embrace the presant [sic] apertunity [sic] of writing you a few lines to let you Know that I am well and hopeing [sic] those lines will find you enjoying the saim [sic] Blessing I have nothing of interst [sic] to only I am quite well we have had a hard time in hour [sic] retreat from mill spring to this place we lost a great Deal of Clothing tents horses waggons [sic] Cananons [sic] and Various articals [sic] of importance all To the hand of the yankees [sic] we was proud to save oar [sic] selves we wus [sic] on the retreat all day and eat nothing for 2 or three days and when we did get some thing to eat it was parched corn and then in another day or so we killed a beef every One skined [sic] his oan [sic] peace [sic] and Broild [sic] it on the coals eat hartly [sic] with out Bread it Being perfectly Fresh with out salt I never eat hartly [sic] [illegible] in life I can say I have herd [sic] the cannon Balls whistle and the Bum Roar Burst and above

It never made me Trembal [sic] in the least I thought I would Tremble to face the Broad mouthed Canon [sic], I sent you [illegible word crossed out] five dollars By John Clark if we stay here which I have no idea But what we will I want you to Come and see me it wont [sic] take more than five Dollars to come on you can ride here in Three Days if you Do Come Be sure and write tell Melviry that I am well tell her to write and write your self good By N.L. Stone to Solaman Stone

Address on Letter/Envelope Soldiers [sic] Letter

Noble Stone

37th Regmt [sic]

Solamon Stone

Normandy

Bedford Co.

Tenn

Direct

[written on left margin: Columbus GA AD 5 cents Feby 5 62]

[image: photo of a young man in uniform, presumably Noble Stone]

[image: diagram showing what the folded letter and envelope looked like]