March the 29 1863

dear sister I setting down to write you a few lines which will inform you that we are all well hoping that those few lines may reach and find you in joyen the same good blessings dear sister I have no news to write to you of importance more then I want to no when you air and what you air doing I am weary an easy about you and all the rest I hear that the 59 regiment has gon to newborn and have had a fite there and poped back a peece of rail rode from the yankees and none in camens company has got back to Kinston and 4 of them got wounded but ~~none~~ the 59 regiment had not returned back when I heard from than

and I heard that you had
a fite at Fredricks bung I
and I am on eaze I have
seen more trouble than my
tung can tell there is
hard times heer and mons
a coming corn is three dallars
and fifty cent and mun at
that nice twenty cent a pound
bakin eight cent pun pound
and the yankees is takin all
the ~~mamans~~ mimands at
~~nee~~ neee bonn but if tha git
me tha will have a race fore
it we air all plantin
heer mantta is meerin she
can meere three and fore yards
a day I think it ~~is~~ is pretty
smart fore the first but
she has got hirn out and
meerin on a nuther peece
John you seay that you want
to see haly shelter and I meede

that you could come
and see it and see my
maplins g lance got the
old martin and some young
ones and I am trying to lame
them but I make a bad
start so I must come to
a close by sain the family
is all well explain your
father in law he has pains
in his neck and back but
they are he is most down
planting matter now at
present only remain your
affectionly mother tell
Seth write soon as you
receive this and fail
not

Catherine Ramsey

To Mr John Fritch