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Letter from Thomas S. Armstrong to Jacob G. Armstrong

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Libby Prison Richmond Va
July 31st 1863

Dear Bre Jack

How strange my dear Bro is war? Don't you mind how
we used to talk of good times an
how I am in the same place
he was. I am well. Lye mother
not to write for her sake for I am
enjoying myself as best I can. She
can't send me any more me buns
or nice looks. I am very comfortable
that is as comfortable as a prisoner
is likely to be. I have rather a scanty
wardrobe. But enough to keep me
warm. I have an overcoat. blous pants
old shirt. 3 pair. socks. 10 old pair.
shoes of boots. But as we never leave our
room I don't need any clothes.
So pray for me my dear brother.
My love to all North to me

Send me some thing to answer
My health is good.

Well I hope to hear from
you soon. May God bless
you all. Direct to your
affectionate Bro

Libby Prison
Richmond Va
via Fortress Monroe

Great Tho. I Am missing you all the
Libby Prison
Richmond Va
via Fortress Monroe

Pray for me
My love to all North to me

Ta Ta Ta
To Mr. J.H. Armstrong
Norwich, Ohio

[Postmark: Old Point Comfort Aug 14]

[Handwritten text not legible]
July 31, 1863

Addressed to J.G. Armstrong

Norwich, Muskingum Co., Ohio

Libby Prison Richmond Va.

July 31st 1863

Dear Bro Jacob

How strange my dear Bro is war? Don't you mind how we used to talk of Col. Corcoran & now I am in the same place he was. I am well, Tell mother not to grieve for her son for I am enjoying myself as best I can. She can't send me any more nice boxes & nice socks. I am very comfortable, that is as comfortable as a prisoner is likely to be. I have rather a scanty wardrobe, but enough to keep me warm.

I have an overcoat, blouse, pants, 1 old shirt, & 1 pr socks & an old hat & pair of boots. But as we never leave our room, I don't need any clothes.

So pray for me my dear brother. My love to all. Write to me. Send something to answer your letter, a stamp & envelope. My health is good.

Well I hope to hear from you soon. May God bless you all. Direct to your affectionate Bro.

Lt. T. S. Armstrong Federal Prisoner

Libby Prison

Richmond, Va.

via Fortress Monroe