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Letter, Josephine Magruder to H. A. Magruder; 9/27/1861

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Sharon, Sept 24th 1861.

My Dear Brother,

I have learned since I returned home (which was last Saturday) that no one had written you a letter except the one I sent by Pomp. I would have written again from Cousin Beulah's but I thought surely sister G. would write. Well I spent three weeks very pleasantly in the neighborhood of Camden. I saw Pink several times at the society & she spent a day with me at Cousin Beulah's. Well, I can't see that she improves much in appearance but she is as lively as a cricket & made a great many inquiries about you. I am under promise to spend several days there next week so if I go I'll tell her you want her to go. She has knit you a very pretty comforter & I will send it by Mr Clark. Belle has another son & he calls him Henry Dechatter.

Well Cousin Will arrived last Monday & is looking better than I ever saw him. he has not been to see Sallie yet. He thinks of returning to Richmond in the course of a month or two. I find he is as full of fun as ever. Of course we made a great ado over him for we were truly glad to see him. I do not think the Headison boys will suffer this winter for want of warm clothing for the ladies have taken their selves in hand & Mr Clark is to leave Monday with a supply for the Confederates & Camden Rifles. I have knit you a scented Puff & hope it will

person of service to you. How do you stand
marching or have you had to do any of it yet?
Be careful of your health at all times & do not
expose yourself to unnecessary danger.
Sister H. has been to Leach since you left. Sam
Lofton has returned & is trying to get recruits
among the Indians. He had recently add the last
news we had from Leach. He is now sick so I
do not know when he will be able to leave.
He thinks of going to Missouri.
Grand Ma was having chills when sister was
up there. I have not seen Uncle Henry and his
bride yet. Mit is still with us. Sister H. has
concluded to take a few more scholars. &
Missie & Wink will come down soon. They
will play at Aunt Martha's. Pa has not been
very well since you left & he is kept quite
busy since Stiggles joined Postells Co. I believe
they are to leave on Monday. Well I do really
think Cousin Bert is the greatest school I ever
saw. It is promising to hear him talk to the
negroes. He is getting pretty of owning. He says
he would not give a haire for the Confederacy
if the war continues much longer. I know he
would like to see Cousin George coming back.
Give my love to all the boys & tell them to write
home often & you must do the same. We are having
cool weather this week for the first time & I am glad
to see it for the last two weeks have been warmer than
at any time this Summer. All are well except a
few cases of chills amongst the negroes.
I'll join me in love to you & request letters often.
Your affectionate sister.

Jan