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Mrs Mariah E Dugger

Tyaskin P O

Sommerses C O

M D

In care of John Moore



Other the 7 1861

Dear wife I take this opportunity to inform you  
that I <sup>am</sup> well at present and I hope these few  
lines may find you the same in the mean time  
I do not forget little ~~Bob~~ Bud tel him when  
I am back that I will <sup>bring</sup> him sum cakes &  
Maria I had a dream last ~~night~~ nite I dreamed  
that I saw u in your father's face you look  
sad And little Willy was playing on the floor so  
as ~~to~~ <sup>for</sup> your looking sad is conside I live in  
hopes that it is not the case I should <sup>feel</sup> very  
unhappy if i new that to be the case dear  
Maria I oft times think of you and wold be  
very glad to see you but it appears to be at  
present very uncertain when i <sup>shall</sup> see you but  
keep up good spirits I hope that I shall be  
at the election and if i cannot I dont ~~want~~ <sup>think</sup>  
to see you until sum time in December  
I am not sartin when we shall come on  
the eastern ship or but when we do I will  
let you now it mi mind is the greater  
part of <sup>no</sup> time is fixt a for you and little  
Bud i very often go of to mi self and in <sup>mi</sup> mind  
draw the picture of a most happy home I am  
very sad when i am studying about you and  
mi little Boy But at present it it  
is all that I can do at present



it is a <sup>Primer</sup> that we shall leave  
hear this week or the next Iier wife  
I have had no money as yet as was  
tharist But if I live until I get <sup>some</sup>  
<sup>money</sup> I will send you if I cannot come  
and bringil every dollar that I can spare  
for I no that you stand in need of money  
even now and I wish I had sum for you but  
I have none mi self give mi love to all  
~~you~~ in quiering friends tel nancy that  
if she will hepp you to take care of  
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looked for time but that sad and unhap-  
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apon the time when I and a youst to  
set in the old colonade and talk of  
the future But nether of us dream  
of such as this ~~no~~ maria as sun as  
get this if it is in your Power  
write to me and let me now know  
all ar for I shld like to hear how



you are getting a long

know at present as far as  
well until we reach a game  
to kiss little Bird for me for  
he would not when I left

if you write to me Direct your  
letter to Jheswill Austinell  
Baltimore Co Md Capt Graham<sup>Co</sup>

I hope to see a letter before

I remain yours ever thinking best a<sup>2</sup>

Nathaniel G Douglass

[[Nick Dante 8/10/2016]]

[[Douglas Correspondence #1]]

[[Page 1- Envelope]]

[[image - left side of envelope illustrated picture of the U.S. Constitution, bundle of sticks around an axe, two light skinned hands shaking, with stars and American flag waving in background.

[[image- red three cents U.S. postage stamp]]

[[image- faded black circle stamp:  
LTIMORE M.D.OCT 8]]

P c/n

Mrs Mariah E Dugless

Tyaskin P O.

Sommerset CO

M D

In care of John More[[?]]

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October the 7 1861

Dier wife I tak this opertunety to inform you  
that I am well at present and I hope these few  
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hope up good sperets i hope that i shol be  
at the~~[[ateckson?]]~~ and if i am not I Dont ~~[[strikethrough]]~~ ~~[[unintelligible]]~~ ~~[[/strikethrough]]~~  
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the ~~[[eastenshew?]]~~ but when wee do i will  
let you now it mi minde is the grater  
parte of the time is fixt a pon you and litle  
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s is all that I can do at present



[[Page 3- Letter]]

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I have had no money as yet as was  
thought But if lif last untel i get som  
I will surtenley send you if i cannot com  
And Bring it evry dollar that i can spar  
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lookd for Time but that sad and unhappy  
time Did arrive that Memmoral  
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apon the time when i and u youst to  
set in the old ~~[[e—onade]]~~ and talk of  
the future But nether of us Dream  
of such as this no Maria as sun as  
get this if it is in your Power  
write to mi and let mi now how  
all ar for i shld like to hear how

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[[one word]] at present so far u  
Well untel we meat a gane  
kiss little Bud for mi for  
he wold not when i left

If you Rite to me Direct yor

letter to [[phesvill?]] [[-ushvill]]  
Baltimore – co MD Cpt Graham com

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Nathaniel E Douglass