Dear Most Brunswick County Va March 30 1862

I have again stole myself to write you a few lines to answer your letter of the 20 of March which I received yesterday and was very glad to hear from you and to know that your health was improving and I hope when this letter reaches you that it may still find you on the minds. This have us all well at present you stated in your letter that you had not rec'd a letter from home since you left Winchester. We have started as many as 5 letters to you since that one by John King. Two by Ruben I Lynch. I wrote you in my last letter by Ruben not to recruit unless your health got better as it was time enough one month before the expiration of your term of service expires I wrote you in my last letter to try and get a sick furlough and come home a while Capt. Robinson Tillman both said they would assist you in getting of a furlough when they got back to the company. I thank you had better try and come home if you can most every body have gone from Brunswick to the war except some 15 or 20 militia which have orders to start to the seat of war on Tuesday next I wrote you in my last letter that Capt M. Nelson had raised a volunteer
Company officers as follow & be Weelor & Redd second
Willie H Coleman third Robert M Marshall
Onken have volunteered in that Company they are
station on Orancy Island near Norfolk I am
Told that Onken & Some of the other members
of the Company are not satisfied with being on
an Island and talks of being transferred to Robinson
Company I see from accounts of the and papers yesterday
that Jackson had been in a hard battle & that the Richmond
Company had been badly cut to pieces and I fear that
Robinson men sheared the same fate
If I was in your place I would not go back to the
Regiment until I gain my strength sufficient to
stand the hardship of a soldier
When you write to me again give us some account
of Alfred Ransings whether he is at Stanlers or where
I understand that the Railroad are carrying a great
Many Soldiers on South and it is thought
by some that the whole State of Virginia will be
Evacuated by our army if so every Virginia ought
to come home and die in his own house
I will send this letter to Belfield or Piedburg by some
of Mobulls men tomorrow I have it mail them
Harvey Williams is going to Mobull's forest from this
Neighborhood - the family send there love to you
the neighbors are all well so far as I know
Nothing more at present only Remember your father
Wm H Ransings
My Ransings A G.