

Camp Holmes, near Raleigh N.C.  
Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 1863.

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Whatever fodder there is to spare can be baled & sent to Mobile, if it commands a better price there - Has Ma purchased her salt yet? After the Hogs get the run of the potato & spindle patches, they ought to be put up & fed plentifully

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Yr Bro  
Jm

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