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Soldier Letter Analysis

Date of the Letter: ________________________________________________________________

Author of the Letter: ____________________________________________________________

Audience/Recipient of the Letter: ________________________________________________

Where was the letter written? __________________________________________________

What details about soldier life does the author discuss?

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How does the author feel about his home?

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How does the author feel about his current situation?

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Senghore in France
Fri: Sep 21st

Dear Mother:

Just a line to say I am well and getting along all right. I suppose you have been writing about me for so long but really mother you don't know.

I really haven't had any chance to write before now but I don't know when this letter will get out. I hear from Allen quite regularly and from Sars from here. Allen had a letter recently and wrote from your or that in some time. The letter I got from Allen today, she said had was complaining of a pain in his side. He doesn't seem anything serious. Seems as though he has had some trouble for a little while before your last letter you told me about the 41st being not too bad. They must be grand if they were better than ever before. I haven't tasted an apple this summer and we have never been always eating too these
back home.

Now, mother dear, don't worry about me. I'm going to be alright. I'm going to write just as often as I can and if you don't hear from me regularly, remember it is because I neglected writing or forgot. Some of everything like that. It's because I favor the time or opportunity of writing. Don't write me often and tell me all the news.

With Love and Kindness,

James D. Derby
C. E., 30th A. C.

(Handwritten signature)
Dearest Mother—

Just a [?] to say I’m well and getting along all right. I suppose you have been worrying about me I haven’t written in so long but really mother you don’t know the circumstances and conditions. I really haven’t had any chance to write before and now I don’t know when this letter will go out. I hear from Helen quite regularly and from [name?] and one from [name?] recently but none from you or Dad in some time. The letter I got from Helen today, she said Dad was complaining of a pain in his side. I hope it isn’t anything serious. Seems as though he has had enough troubles for a time.

In your last letter you told me about the [?] apples. My! They must be grand if they were better than ever before. I haven’t tasted an apple this summer and you know I was always strong for them
back home.

Now mother, dear, don’t worry
about me I’m going to be alright.
I’m going to write just as often
as I can and if you don’t
hear from me regularly, remember
it isn’t because I neglect writ-
ing or forget home or anything
like that, it’s because I haven’t
the time or opportunity of writing.

Now write me often and
Tell me all the news.

With Loads of Love to [?]

[?]
Corp Sam L. Derby
Co. E. 30th Inf.