

I will close for the present
From Jim

July 28, 1864

- War news
- sense sheeting board
- doctor's trouble

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Dear Parents

I write you a few lines to let you know I am well as usual. Everything seems quiet around here. We had a rumor down here a few days ago that Newbern had been attacked but we found it was not so. We got news that Sherman had taken Atlanta last evening and it caused considerable rejoicing. New York papers of the 25th arrived here last evening but I have not seen them. I heard that Lee had asked for an armistice. Charlie wrote me last Sunday that he was going home on a furlough and I suppose he is there before this time. I have hardly anything to do now a days. The doctor is looking out for his wife. Baldwin plagues the