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## Thomas L. Evans letter to his parents from Camp near Nicholasville, Kentucky, October 26, 1862

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Covington Ky. Oct. 26, 62

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