

## CORRESPONDENCE

Cancel: Tarryton, NY: March 13,  
1847

Subject: malaria patient pleads for  
help from doctor: "I have  
had continuous attacks of  
fever and ague . . ."

Notes: folded letter

Price: E



Briny Point Mar 13<sup>th</sup> 1847

Dear Doctor

For about three weeks I have had con-  
tinuous attacks of fever & ague and the physician of the  
family being called I have taken Quinine in large doses  
at least three times a day, and physic in large doses  
every other morning. I have been placed on diet, abate  
to eat nothing of greasy nature, and nothing strengthening  
during the time. At nights I sweat very profusely, even  
through a mattress into a straw bed and sometimes  
my upper eyelids have been wet. Under the influence  
of this I have become very thin, and am daily losing  
my strength. I would not ask you to leave your business  
and come this far in the country, but perhaps your brother  
who is with you, would be willing to come. But if not  
you will please send a physician of your class, and if  
you are not able to obtain any send what medicines you  
may think proper. You need not spare expense in send-  
ing either a physician or medicine.

Your affectionate friend  
J. J. [Signature]

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Cancel: Port Clinton, OH: October 10, 1848  
 Subject: writer reports malaria in his area: "We have had the invisible "Sirocco" like malaria through our vicinity"  
 Notes: folded letter  
 Price: E



Post Clinton Ottawa Co. Ohio  
 Oct 5/48.

Saml. Bruce Esq.  
 W. Va.

Your favor of 21<sup>st</sup> Ult. came duly to hand by yesterday's post, I have paid the taxes at per enclosed receipt and with thanks

respectfully subscribe myself your obliged servt.

P.S.

We have had the invisible "Sirocco" like Malaria through our vicinity, as has frequently happened before, in Septmber, and prostrated many, my health and strength is such that my physician forbids me engaging in my customary business. however very few deaths occur - but at present quite a number of pale faces may be seen

adieu Sir

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**Cancel:** Haartford, CT: November 19, 1862

**Subject:** writer gives his soldier-brother directions for taking quinine: "The quinine is a preventive to fevers, and [the doctor] says take, when sleeping on the wet ground, or exposed to malaria, and in the vicinity of swamps, a pill at bedtime."

**Notes:**

**Price:** E

its use and benefits." He adds, that the Dovers you are accustomed to: take them for colds, for nervous pains, or bowel complaint, one in 3 or 4 hours according to symptoms. The Quinine is a preventive to fevers, and he says take, when sleeping on the wet ground, or exposed to malaria, and in the vicinity of swamps, a pill at bed-time. That will probably be sufficient for the present, but in the summer & autumn he says take a pill every night, when you can obtain it. Doctor knows Dr. Skinner & one of his assistants, and says they are good men. I went to the Savings Bank and told the gentleman in charge your wish in regard to your money - he said the best way <sup>will</sup> ~~would~~ be to have it so that we <sup>can</sup> ~~could~~ both control it, and then in case of accident to you, or me, the receiver can draw the money without



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Cancel: Springfield, MA: September 7, 1882  
 Subject: malaria patient reports condition to friend: "... if I get this Malaria out of my system I shall be all right again."  
 Notes: cover shortened at right  
 Price: E

1st  
 Wednesday  
 Thursday  
 Hampden Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 1882

Dear Nellie -

I received your letter <sup>Tuesday</sup> last night. I have not written before because, as Leggie had written you, I have been waiting to hear from you. John has been here, and went back <sup>yesterday</sup> to day. He will call on you probably before this reaches you, and give you all the news.

I am gaining in strength all the time, I have a good appetite, and if I get this Malaria out of my system I shall be all right again.

I saw Dr Ballard yesterday, and he said that my Blood is out of order.

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**Cancel:** Midway, KY: October 27, 1883  
**Subject:** writer mentions danger of malaria during a planned trip to North Carolina: "some danger for malaria, tho I'm willing to risk it."  
**Notes:** cover shortened at right; inverted year slug in cds; receiving mark on reverse  
**Price:** E

Midway, Ky., Oct 27, 1883

My Dear Louis, —

Am home again. Sorry my wife was sick so you ed not see you. She grieved more about it than you. She was very anxious to see you. She is a very brave woman. She didnt write a word to me - her misfortune - ~~to~~ M. De r not all infalible. And so I have had more trouble. Am more strongly convinced & working & things f good tho' than ever. I'm going to N. C. to Barbers & Wilson. good field. some danger for malaria tho'. I'm willing to risk & tho' hope to do something there as there seems to be much to do.

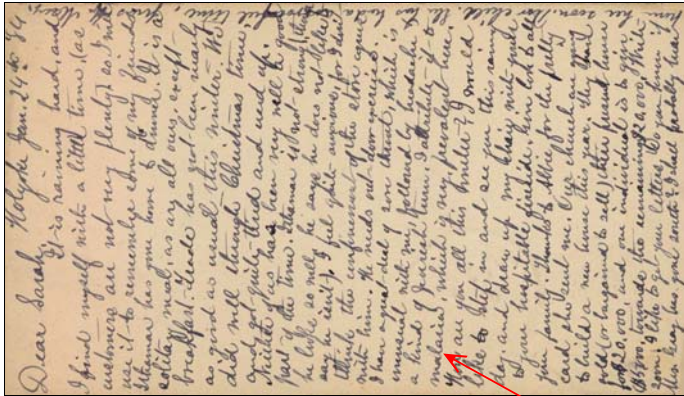
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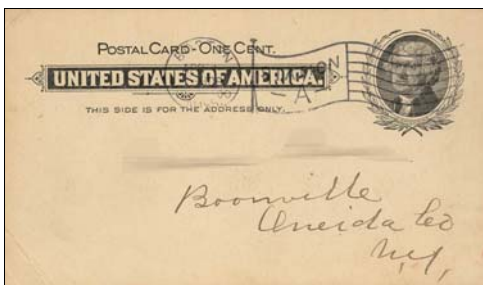


**Cancel:** Holyoke, MA: January 24, 1884  
**Subject:** a lady reports tells a friend she attributes her illness to malaria: "I have a great deal of sore throat . . . followed by headache & a kind of Jewish turn. I attribute it to malaria, which is very prevalent here."

**Notes:**  
**Price:** E

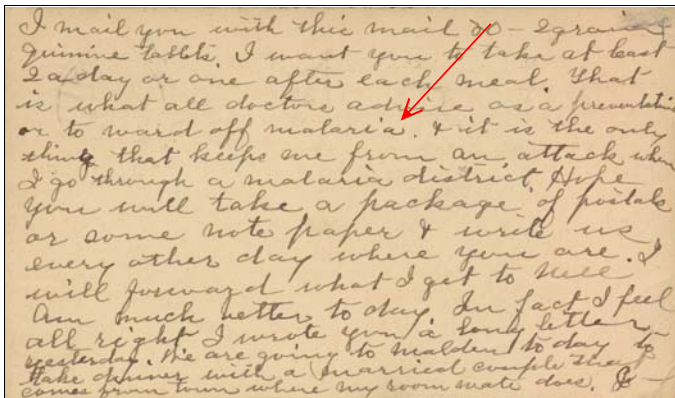


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**Cancel:** Boston, MA: April 1, 1900  
**Subject:** writer tells a friend to take quinine pills: "Take at least 2 a day or one after each meal. That is what all doctors advise as a preventative or to ward off malaria, and it is the only thing that keeps me from an attack when I go through a malaria district."

**Notes:**  
**Price:** D



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Cancel: Socorro, NM: September 16, 1886

Subject: writing to a friend in her former hometown, a lady reports the condition of a shared acquaintance: "Miss Knite is quite sick . . . . Malaria with symptoms of Typhoid fever. She may recover."

Notes: cover shortened at right

Price: D

Socorro, N. M., Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 1886  
 Dear Mrs. Jones -  
 I received the mittens & letter in due time after a long delay by a B. O. washout. I like the mittens well. I am glad you are in good health. Mrs. Knite is down quite sick, having been moved into the Daily Building for better air etc. Malaria with symptoms of Typhoid fever. She may recover.  
 We are well as your usual. Mr. P. is busy the most of the time at his trade. I mail you the forks as you request with this. The morning after you

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**Cancel:** New Orleans, LA: October 12, 1895  
**Subject:** writer reports he is slow to answer fried's letter due to malaria: "I have been sick; have had the malaria and was laid up in bed for 3 days and confined to the house for a week."  
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**Price:** E

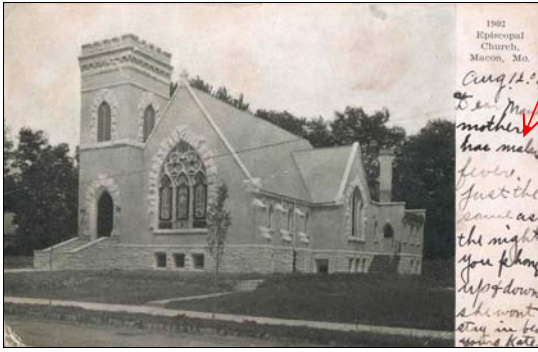
New Orleans, Saturday Oct 12, 1895  
 Mr. Chas. O Jewel, Chuluota, Fla.  
**To The AMERICAN CREDIT INDEMNITY CO. Dr.**  
 CENTRAL OFFICE: ST. LOUIS, Mo.  
 T. C. Sachse, Gen. Agent, Southern Department  
 No. 197 GRAVIER STREET.  
 Dear Charlie,-

Your letter came to hand several days ago and the reason I haven't answered sooner is that I have been sick. have had the malaria and was laid up in bed for 3 days and confined to the house for a week. It left me as weak as a cat, now I can only write a vry little at a time. I am taking some damn nasty medicine, awful stuff but the "Doc" says it will build me up and that is what I want. This town makes me sick into a damn wonder every body hen dont die of malaria.



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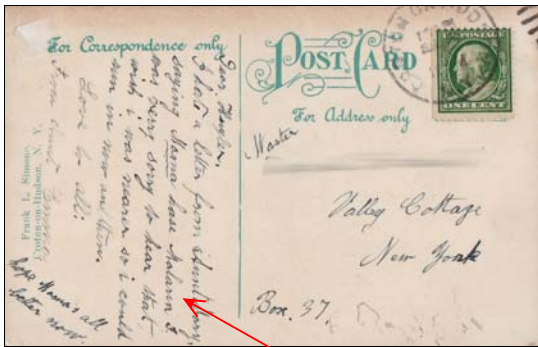
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Cancel: Revier, MO: August 12, 1907  
 Subject: lady reports her mother's condition: "mother has malaria fever. . ."  
 Notes:  
 Price: D



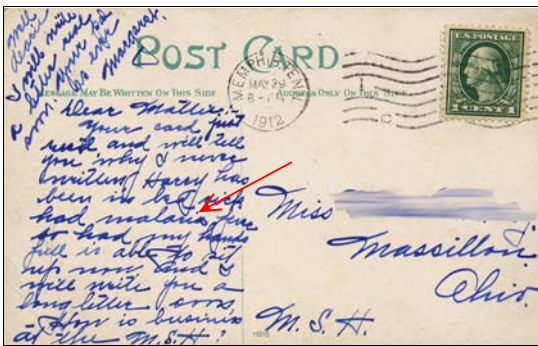
**19070812**



Cancel: Croton-on-Hudson, NY: c. 1910  
 Subject: lady reports hearing that her mother has malaria  
 Notes:  
 Price: D

*I hate a letter from Aunt Mary, saying Marna has malaria I was very sorry to hear that*

**19100000**



Cancel: Memphis, TN: May 29, 1912  
 Subject: lady reports that a shared acquaintance has had malaria: "Harry has been in bed sick had malaria fever so bad. . ."  
 Notes:  
 Price: D


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Cancel: APO 40: May 3, 1944  
 Subject: a soldier in the Pacific reassures his mother about malaria: "That Malaria is a bad thing . . . The army has the situation well in hand, though, so please stop worrying"  
 Notes: unit was at uadalcanal at the time  
 Price: E

  
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I read the story about Barney Ross, and also saw pictures about him in the movies. He sure had a rugged time didn't he. That Malaria is a bad thing and all the boys down this way are really scared of it. They'd rather see a hundred Japs jump up than one mosquito flying around, so you can see had it must be. A Jap is easy enough to kill, but one of those insects will light on you and you won't feel him, and when you do, its too late, so there you are. The Army has the situation well in hand though, so please stop worrying.

Holly, I bet Rita really looked beautiful as the Maid of Honor, how I wish I could've been there to see her. She hasn't told me about it yet, but I'm expecting it any day now. Speaking of Rita's, that other one has her clutches out for me again, but this time she's sadly mistaken, I might look like a fool, but I aint and I've changed quite a bit since I've last seen her, and right now she don't rate one little bit with me. I don't know what her racket is, but she better start looking up another sucker, 'cause this boy has definately made up his mind, and that's that.

Well, gotta go now, I hear my bunk callin' me. Keep writing and I'll do the same whenever I get the chance, so for now I'll be saying Goodnight, and again "Shut your winks."

Love

Charlie