

Washington, D.C.
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Dear Brother George

Not having much time I thought I would not write an over big letter. The weather has not been very plessant since last night it rained some last night and this morning we are a having glorious news at the present time from our army Gen. Robert E. Lee has surrendered to Gen. U. S. Grant his whole army Sherman has cut off Johnson and he must surrender to Gen. Sherman how are you Southern Confederacy the city is all excitement the crowd going from one place to an other to get a speech after they were at Willards they went to the White House and old Abe made a short speech and from there they went to the war department but old Stanton was not there or if he was he did not come out Gen Butler made a speech at Willard I was at the big circus last week it was not worth much, one day last week a rebel band was playing at the war department and at the Majors of the Invalid Camp and at or for Grovers Theatre what does to drafted men say about war now days, it will soon play out now so sys me. How do you get along with your trade by this time how is times in town at present how is sim Green and bill and the rest of their family for it is some time since I heard from him the Buildings are going to be illuminated to night and there will be a big time through out the city well how is lizzy and Eva and George give my love to granny tell her the gruel war is coming to a close very soon well I must come to a close from your brother and write soon.

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