Washington D.C April 29th 1865

Dear Mother.

Having some time to myself I thought I would write you a few lines to let you know that I am well as usual, we have good news here, Johnson has surrendered to Sherman on the same terms as Lee to Gen. Grant, Rebelion is a bout played out, the soldiers will stand a good show of getting home when their time is out if not before, there was 2,50 guns fired this morning for the capture of Johnsons Army Booth the murderer of President Lincoln is taken his body Arrived here Thursday Morning

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at one oclock. I seen the Serg.
that shot him I wish he
had been taken a live but
it is as it is and so it was
to be Carroll was captured
a live and he is telling all
he knows that is concerned
in the Murder there will
be hundreds concerned in it
that he will make known
the weather here is very fine
the trees and flowers are gay
Our Camp is in the Best place
in Washington Just one hundred
yds Below the Treasury Building
our Barrack is surrounded
with nice Maple shade trees
that will make it a nice place
for to put in the warm weather

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that very soon will be here
and it is nice and warm to
day Everything looks mournful
around the White House the
Posts of the Portico are all draped
in Mourning there was hardly
a house in the City but what
had Crape hang out, Monday
the first Brigade 2nd Cavalry
Division passed through the
City and Wednesday the 9th Corps
went through where bound
more than I know but I supose
they will Camp out side the
fortification till mustered out
there is an order to Muster out
the troops in June that are
not wanted some of the Boys
think we will be home before
our time is out but that is hard
to tell, how is Grand Mother by

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this time I hope better than when you last wrote, how does george get along with his trade does he like better than he did; some time ago, when he thought he was not making money fast enough, how does Bill get along with his work I. Begin to think he is doing a Land Office Business shure Jup, I was just out to see some more of the 9th Corps, Several Batteries just went by I think Belongs to the ninth give my love to Granny and this picture is for her all the Boys had Their Photographs taken and we Bought a fine Album and are going to present it to Tad Lincoln the whole thing costs some thing like 80 or 90 Dollars give my Love to all the folks from W. A. Cuttle

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