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Washington D.C.

Goldiers Home Sept 16th 1868

Dear George I got your
letter at noon I was glad to
hear from you I am well at present
and hope these few lines will find
Grand Mother the same if she needs
anything why some of you get
it for her and I will foot the bill
let it be what it will the news is
that Fort Moultrie has run up the
white flag, to day it is nice and
warm here it drizzled a little this
fore noon and looks some like
rain yet every little while there
is a cannon booming away at
the Navy yard, more glorious news
Friday at Ten¹⁰ o'clock there is another
General Inspection Bully for the
Inspections for they come most every
other day But Sunday and Sunday

They come twice a day. Bill's
throat must be getting larger
for it used to be more than he
could do for to swallow a pill
we have a big time here pitching
Horse shoes. I haven't seen a live
squirrel since I left Meadville the
only thing we see here is Crows
and Turkey Buzzards. Last fall
Spring the crows flew in flocks a
mile long. I would like to be here
to go a hunting with you after
Squirrels I could fetch them down
out of the tree. here is some
money for you to buy your
Powder a shot with there is noth-
ing that I know of worth while
writing about give my best respects
to all the Boys, all the Pennsylvania
Boys that are in the Hospitals are
going home on a 20 day Purlough
while there they can vote for

Govenor Curtin there is going
to be a nigger show right off
so I will come to a close

write soon from your
Brother willurd. A. Butler