

Tuesday March 21<sup>st</sup> 1863

Dear Mother

I received your letter the 21<sup>st</sup> and was glad to hear from you I am well at present and hope these few lines will find you enjoying the same great Blessing, it is a getting warm weather here now to what it was ten days ago, and I think we will soon have good weather to good times I got the Paper George sent, with the letter. Gen Sumner is dead one good Gen gone Sunday there was four Com<sup>ms</sup> some from Harrisburg here they had Dreg Perrade front of the White House two Com<sup>ms</sup> were nine months Drafted men two Com<sup>ms</sup> here in Harrisburg when we were, they are to stay here for Prov<sup>o</sup> guards the Guard in the city is to be Doub<sup>le</sup> our Naval <sup>Force</sup> is preparing to attack one of the Rebel strong holds, so when they do attack victory is shure to be our, I dont think <sup>else</sup> anything Yesterday there was twelve or more Indians Chiefs went by our camp all Painted up as still I wish you would send 5 or 6 Postage Stamps all the Boys are well at present I wrote in Sims letter about our men taken 26 Rebels Steam Boat, it is not so

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big talking to but little done But there soon  
will be one of Hawkings You've dreamed  
there was a going to be peace the 23 of April  
be read in the heavens two months ago  
the same thing was dreamed by another man the Father  
that's all at Present give my love to all  
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