Camp near Stafford Court house virginia May the 23/63

Dear father

it is with pleasure that I take this oppertunity of writing to you it is to let you know that I am well and that I have resieved A letter from you with four postage stamps it found me in good health. I have sent you some money by express. I sent it the other Day and I sent A letter to let you know that I had sent it you probably have got it by this time and if you have I want you to write and let me know weather it has reached you or not the weather is very fine here now as warm as it is there in the midle of July every thing is all quiet and still here now no fighting going on nor any thing else. I shall have to close prety soon by telling you to write soon this from your son Hamilton Longcore my love to all enquiring friends so now so now good by. Write soon

Hamilton Longcore Hamilton Longcore Hinsdale

Mr John Longcore Hinsdale Cattaraugus County New York

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