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Dear Mother, This P.M. I believe
I will finish this letter by writing some of it
to you although there are some things that
that I ought to write to father about but
you may tell him that I am in no complaining
mood at all, but have made up my mind to
take every thing cool & if my health is good
as it is now I had as lief stay here 2 years as
to go home only I don't want the war to last that
time for it will injure the country too much
I am perfectly contented & as my health im-
proves I feel more like staying here. I like to go
out on picket guard & see the country & I should
like to stay here in our present camp a
good while for we have got every thing fixed
up so nice to day. Charles went to the Hospital
& was a little worse his disease does not awaken him
a great deal but is on his throat & lungs. I am in
hope he will be back in a few days. I am sure when
doing this writing & I find it is much more pleasant than
being in a tent with 15 noisy fellows, but I had much