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Camp Seigle near  
Winchester Va. Aug 3, 62

Dear Maria

As to day is Sunday  
and I am off duty I might  
as well write you a few lines -  
I have just finished my dinner  
which was the best to suit me that  
I have had for a long time it  
was composed of Bread & milk  
with Blackberries so you see  
we can get the luxuries of life  
here if we do have to buy them  
of Rebels. I dont know as I  
ever shall hear from home or  
any where else and to think  
how our post master was Comd  
over is almost beyond endurance  
we have not had any mail  
since we came here and of  
course a large number of letters