

Headquarters. 8th C. W.
Near Petersburg Va
July 7th 1864

Dear sister

I now
take this opportunity to answer
your letter that I received to
day and was glad to hear that
you and the rest of the folks
are well my health is good
since I wrote you last we have been
moving some we went to the White
Hors from there to coal harbor and
there 12 days then returned to Bermuda
Hundred then we took a trip in
the direction of Petersburg learned
then stronger reports and could afford
the city and night beyond and held
them and it was so played by Gen
Smith but Gen Hancock came up