

Carver Hos, Minchin Hill

Washington D.C. May 9th

Dear Sister —

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I shall not write a long letter as I write so often. It will be 3 weeks tomorrow since I came here & I have recd nothing from home in all that time to tell me that you receive my letters until to day. I recd an "American Union" with Billy Jones' name on it & your name written on the outside. This satisfies me that you have recd some of my letters or you would not know where to direct. I write almost every other day.

I think I shall not get my papers before next week as I have not got them yet & to day is Friday. They expect them back from W — tomorrow but it's quite possible they will not come, hope they will. How much I would give for a letter from home :