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Friend Maria

Compl days will write you today or tomorrow

I recd your letter yesterday and was very much pleased to hear from you that you were well and in the enjoyment of one of heavens richest gifts. I went yesterday to witness one of the most painful sights it has been my lot to witness since my enlistment of ever. A young man of about 24 years of pleasing address "hung by the neck until he was dead" He belonged to the 2^d N. Y. Regiment His crime was killing a woman in Alexandria