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Washington D.C.
Aug. 15th [1863]

Dear Father

The Alexandria¹ boat leaves in a short time and I have time for a few words only. I will write to the family at length when I reach the Regt. I received four on the pay this morning and enclose a draft for \$ 350. Expect to reach Regt without any difficulty. My arm is entirely healed and strong as ever.

Your affect son
Sam.

Notes:

¹ The boat from Washington to Alexandria, Va. connected with the RR which would deliver Porter to the Army.