

Williams Wharf Va

June 12th 69

Dear Mother

I now sit down to let you know where I am and how I am getting along I am well and I hope this will find you the same I left Yorktown on the 7th and started for the front I had been out on a raid a bout thirty miles we found some very clever people we came a crost some union folks I and another fellow went to one house and they would not let us come away until we had dinner ~~at it~~ and when we got back the company

was all packed up ready to
start. we took the steamer
and went to Fortress Monroe
we staid there all night
and in the morning we took
the steam boat for Bermuda
hundred where we arived a bout
six o'clock we went a shore
and was orderd to the front
~~and~~ we could could ~~not~~ hear
the cannons roar and see the
smoke rise but the order was
countermanded and we came
back a twenty miles they
had a fight here on the
twenty eightth and they
drove them back we expect
they will attack us every hour
but let them come if they
want to we will give them
a warm reception with
grape and canister ~~and~~ we

are a Throwing up
breast works you heard that
I was wounded but I am not
you must not worry a bout
me for I have got the sa
me protector here that I
have at home Eugene ~~is~~ was
quite smart when I left there
I have not much time to
write now I will write to
hellen as soon as I get time
I have not got my watch yet
but I think I shall get it
back it is a first rate
watch you will have to ~~let~~
~~think that one of those~~
~~pictures up at that~~
~~any more taken up~~
I left ~~it~~ write how
the store came out this
spring I think I shall
be at home as soon as this

ball any way you may
send me some postage st
amps as I can not get any
up here I dont know of
any thing more to write
this time and it is most
time to go on fatigue I
have received your letter
since I have been writing
this have you paid Mr
Mitchell yet I am a going
on picket this morning
no more this time so good
bye from your son

George H. Hill

Direct to the 16 Regiment

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