

we had had  
lots of  
Blackberries  
in Maryland

They was all gone long before we  
left D. A and when we got up in  
Maryland <sup>of</sup> they  
was ripe and lots of  
Head Quarters 15<sup>th</sup> 3d Regt  
N.Y. S. G.

Baliver Heights Sunday Aug the 7<sup>th</sup> 64  
Dear Mother I take the present time  
for answering your most welcome  
letter which I recieved last night  
I was glad indeed to hear from you  
I am well & I hope this will find you  
the same we left hear on the 30<sup>th</sup> of last  
month we went 3 miles north <sup>west</sup>  
from Fredrick City in a piece of oak  
Woods we got there on the 31<sup>st</sup> & lived there  
there until the 2<sup>d</sup> when we pulled up &  
marched to Manocacy we staid there  
until the 4<sup>th</sup> then we took the cars  
& came to Harpers Ferry then we  
Went upon Maryland Heights  
& stayed there all night then we  
cross the Patomac and got hear at  
10 o'clock yesterday I cant tell how  
long we will stay hear but I dont

Think we will stay any longer  
then morning the 3y lags about  
a 100 rods from us i was up to  
see the boys last night i saw  
Sieren Rowland John Harris Jack  
Cely and a lot of the boys they  
are all well Cristopher Plazed Shays  
i guess and stayed in Washington John  
says he he has been looking for us down  
thear well i would like to run across  
him but i dont care to go down where  
he is Hiram Mosher tents with me one line  
very well we had for breakfast green  
corn fresh beef cappel & hard bread  
& we got a mess of Potatoes when  
we can find them and milk when  
we can get it i rote about my buying  
my pocket book with \$ 3.25 cents in  
it was quite a loss these hard  
times but thear is no use of ~~Whining~~  
Whining for spilt milk i would  
had Enough to stand me until we  
got Paid off <sup>all</sup> First rate but i can

Get Along you say you dont know  
What you will do if i dont get home  
This winter well Dear Mother i  
hope i will get home to stay with  
you i want to come as bad as you want  
me to i guess. But if dont get home to stay  
i will get home on a furlough if i live  
to get into winter quarters & i guess  
i will it is most 2 years since i left  
home it will be the 30 of this month i  
am Acting Orderly yet and i dont like  
it much for i only draw Corporals  
Pay and i have Every thing to spare  
I have got 22 men absent sick Col  
West i hear has started back to the  
Regt i wish you had seen him and  
Sent me a couple Pair of Socks  
if you get a chance to send me the  
socks you may & if you dont it is  
all the same for i can wear gener-  
ment socks altho they are not so good  
as yours, i rote to have you send  
me a few more Stamps for i lost

Those that you sent me with my  
Money are muster for Pay the  
least of this month but when  
we will get it is and other  
thing well If you & Warstone  
to come home you must make  
them give you my Discharge &  
I will come Double Deutch  
I am my Love to your Mother  
and wife & all tho who inquire  
of Seth Hill

I Will Close

By bidding you good by rite

I or as often as you can for  
it does me good to hear from you  
Henry Wood is not very well  
i shouldent wonder if we had  
to go up into Pennsylvania i see  
the rebs is making tracks that  
way away

This is from your son  
Seth Hill To His Dear Mother  
Dont wait for me to rite for i cant  
rite every day but i rite as often  
as i can i think there is some  
around Fortess corners that will have  
to come down in dixy get i hope so