

of
Head Quarters 153d
Regt N.Y. S.V.
Near Charlestown Vt
Aug the 20th 1864

Dear Mother i take
my pencil in hand to answer
your most welcome letter which
I recieved last Evening and i
was very glad to hear from you
and to hear you was well as for
myself i am well i can eat
any thing but i am all broke out
with something and what it is i don't
know i am left haliver
height on the 10 and went up as
far as Middletown Near the
Adirondack Mountains and got there
the night of the 12th & Staid there
there until the night of the 15th
when at 11 o'clock at night we

Started back on cat to
Winchester at 8 o'clock where
we staid until the 17 then we
Pulled out again and on the
18 we got hear we have but
little fighting the 6 & 8
corps has been with us they
have had more fighting then
we have yesterday Morning
Charles Thurston went out
side of the Picket when a
Band of Guerrillas came upon
him and shot him dead
he was cook for the Cal
and he was going to get
some Butter and milk there
Was ~~and~~ a man with him
that cooks for our Chlain and
Doctor he was taken Prisoner
I have got a ring that i took
off of his finger that is all
that he had left I shall
Rite to his wife and send

How the King the Captain
Will also write to him and
write the whole the deal liked
him very much Well Mother I dont
know or as the Capt or myself
can do any thing about my Discharge
if that I dont work here James
Smith make out the Papers that
you have 5 sons in the Service
and send them too Abe and he
will Order my discharge i am
am shure of it and you can
go too Washington your self and
Marvin with i would go with
you to see @ Abe and he will
Grant my Discharge in one
Minit i am Anxious to
get home but i have about
give up getting home on
Discharge but i am in hap of
of getting home on a furlong
this Winter if can get to the
Hospital i think i could get

A ^{de} Furlough Well Mother
you may send me a couple
Dollars in your next letter
as money is scarce in our ob
and I need a little for a com
out of paper and envelopes

I Will Close By
Bidding you good by
Write soon

This is from your
son Seth Hill
to his Mother

Love
Seth Hill

~~it is the~~
~~best I draw~~
This is a rough
sheet of paper but
~~it is the best~~

it is the i have god