

Camp Slough

Near Alexandria Va May the 6<sup>th</sup> 1861

Dear Mother it is now  
9 o'clock & my tent mates  
is all to bed So i thought  
i would spend a short  
time in writing to you i am  
well & i hope this will find  
you the same we have had  
a very hard rain storm it  
had rained every since 5 o'clock  
last night & it rained like  
the old Hairy Harry we have  
lost another one of our  
Souldiers His name is  
John Wood & we are agoint to  
send him home we are bound  
to send home all of our boys  
that died while we stay  
where we can if it takes all  
i can get & we send them home  
in good shape to

received a letter from  
Fred to day now what do  
you think of Fred's working  
to J. W. Mitchell's it seems  
as so he ought to have  
more then he gets these times  
But do you know how things  
is up in old grandfield better  
than i do if my coat will  
fit Fred he can have it for  
i shant be home right away  
for i want some more of  
them I am reld killed  
before i leave the State  
of PA i tell you old Jo  
Hooker is playing Nerry  
Gebofat with the Reeds now  
there has lots of grey backs  
gon up the potomac the last  
10 days they have taken them  
up to Washington & where  
they send them from there  
i dont know but i know

where they ought to send  
them I y<sup>e</sup> & gone

Will old Ja Hooker is  
the man for me - Mr  
Hooker had been here with  
us evry since a week ago  
last Sunday Mr Hooker  
is to the hospital with John  
He is gaining a little his  
Discharge papers had been  
sent in & they expect them  
evry day we have got paid off  
4 months & I shall send  
some money by Mr Hooker  
when he comes I have  
been down to the city to  
day & have bought me 2 shirts  
the shirts cost 2.50 & a  
hat the cost 3.00 I cant more  
the government shirts in warm  
we have bought us a new  
stone it cost 50 dollars it  
is a good one well weather

& I must go to bed.  
So good by for this time  
give my love to Jane

From your Son  
Seth Hill

To His Mother

Give My love to Mrs  
Stephens & Mr Stephens  
write soon