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Stafford Court house

Dear Brother

I got your letter last  
nite and was glad to hear  
from you and to hear that  
you was well I got them  
stamps I am well as com<sup>m</sup>  
if I should live to get  
back I will make the  
thing all rite with you  
I hant got eny nese to write  
but I will try to write  
a few lines to let you  
know what I think of this  
war I think this will be  
a bloody summer, and I thin<sup>k</sup>  
that will make the thing  
will end I hap se. we  
hant moud yet and I  
dont know when we shal  
we hav had orders to

have 60 rounds of  
cattredgs. we want that  
to carry only 40 rounds  
that is a sup for a man  
to carry when we get  
our saddle on it makes  
a mules. Sad

wal rite soon

from Maria  
Earl