

Qrm Dept 154th Reg N.Y.V.
Camp Near Catletts Station Va
Aug 12 1863

John Longcore Esq
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Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 8th inst is just received and hasten to reply to same.

Your son Hamilton Longcore was undoubtedly taken prisoner at the battle of Gettysburg. I have made inquiries of the Surgeons and members of his company and learn from them that he was neither killed or wounded, and as he is among the missing it is supposed with good reason that he was taken prisoner. I hear, although I do not know it to be a fact that those who were captured at the late battle, have been paroled and are now at parol camp in Ananoplis Md.

I think you can with the best of reasons be assured of his safety and good health and hoping he may soon be restored to his home and friends

I am Sir
Very Respy
Yr Obdt Servt
T. A. Allen

[in another hand:]

Mrs Ann M Longcore
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[Timothy A. Allen, first lieutenant and quartermaster, 154th New York Volunteers]