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My Dear Rhoda

I recieved a letter from you on friday and was glad to here from you but you did not say whether you ware better or worth then when you last wroat but I think that wou will get along very well if you will keep up good courage I sent that knife and I thought that it was done up so that they would not know that it was in it hath been birnt and is good for naghting I put the handels on myself they air made of local root and a peace of shell in one side I sent some coffey in another paper and if they air going tocharge so much for them you had better let then keep them I enclose a ring in this and send you back part of that 3 cint peace what I wanted if I could have had it 3 month ago I could have sold a grate many rings when they first commenced to make them hey sold from one to two dollers but I could get no file and could not make then good I had a pas yesterday to go on lookout mountan and went up to the top and see where the rebs canon stood to throw shels at us and could see where the shell from Chatanooga had struck the rock there is a vilage on the mountan caled sommer town there air some nice buildings there and I went in the cave under the mountan I sopose wou have seen an acount of it in the papers I went in about 1/2 mile some have gon 2 miles we had but one candle and had to return before it burnt out or we maver could fine the way out

Rhoda I have got dack fron sunday school General Howard was not their he has leaft us to commind another Corps i sopose that we air no longer the 11th Corps the 11th and 12th air pit in one and called the 20th Corps Commanded by Gen Hooker one of the bravest and best fighten men in the army but he hath enemimes that wark against him and they have a good chance to do so on acount of his having to retreat from Chansler-ville last spring I will not go to meeting this afternoon as it is a

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german that is going to preach I like my bibel and you can send me a
hymn book by mail any time you wash I will send you my pas I had yesterday
my love to you and all

James D Quilliam

ask father is he ever going to write to mee again