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Head Qrs. 1st Brigade Hatcher's Run March 9th 1865

My dear Sae,

I have been back about ten days now, and find the change very agreeable so far as my health is concerned. I was detained in Philadelphia by the state of my wounds; but that misfortune proved a good fortune; for besides the warm courtesies and compliments I received from every body there, I found the services of Dr. Pancoast - the most skilful surgeon in the United States - not only relieved my existing disabilities, but put me in the way of a more rapid recovery. You can not imagine how favorable this kind of life is to my health. One would not think me fit to walk a half mile if I was at home; but here I ride as fast & far as the best, and ask no favors. I have no doubt that my recovery will be greatly promoted by my return to the field, and I do not in the least regret my choice. I shall not feel obliged to lead any more charges, unless it becomes necessary, and hope to escape any further injuries. I have no insane desire to deprive my little family of my protection & support I assure you. On the contrary I look forward with delight to a speedy return to the happiness and affection of my little home. No man's ever was dearer or more blest. And to no man could it be a greater sacrifice to leave them far away and face the dangers which in threatening me threaten them tenfold. Still let me say the course I take is not only that which honor & manliness prompt, but the one which will prove best for them & for all who belong to me or to whom I belong.

Please understand that my wounds are now doing finely, and I am encouraged to hope I may not have to leave the field again till we finish the campaign. I was sorry indeed to lose the pleasure of visiting you, but you know I did not set foot out of doors while I was at home. Give my dutiful love to Father & Mother, & my undiminished regards to all. Tom is finely. He has been making a great dash with his horsemanship today at a grand Review in the presence of spectators, ladies &c. His horse "slumped" into the treacherous ground while he was going on the "wings of the mind" & fell & rolled over & over; but Tom alighted on his feet as light as a cat & won great praise from all. Ask Aunt Hannah if I do not owe her a years interest? Hoping I hear from you soon & that you are well. Your afft. brother,

Lawrence