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Dear Brother.

I avail myself of an oppitunity to drop you a few lines to inform you of my health &c I am once more restored to usual health & hope when these few lines may come to hand they may find you likewise. I was very sick for a while with high fevers attended with a very severe headache. Well it is Christmas times I reckon where you are but no Christmas hear. I was on guard duty on Christmas day. I was mad all day because I couldent be in Bedford with my duxey. This leaves me as usual destertute of news it is very dull times here. You ought to make hast back and get your money for they say we are to be paid off to morrow. The old Quartermaster got back from Staunton on yesterday with the money so I reckon we will get it to morrow if it be true. We are all getting along here very well the longer I stay the better I like. I would be very glad to visit you all if it was so that I could but there is no chance. I have been looking for a letter from you for some time but have been disapointed as yet. You must excuse this note as I am in about out of paper. I wish when you come through Lynchburg you would get me some nice paper & fancy envalopse if you please. Give my love to Nannie & Pomp Gran pa & Aunt Millie and receive a due potion for your self.

Henry G. Compton

We expected to leave here untill a few days back. I think now we will have to stay here all the winter.

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