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Casap near Chattanooga

July 4th 1864

Dear May I take my pen
to write you a few words but it
will be but few for the mail leaves
in a short time

We left our old camp near the
Kennesaw Mountain on the night of
the 2nd about 7 o'clock and marched near
by all night the morning of the 3rd we
resumed our march and arrived
here about dark ^{last evening} we are now on
the extreme right of our line there
was a general move of the whole army
to the right there is heavy cannon
and artillery in front of us the Rebels left
their strong hold on the mountain
and are retreating across the river
while our forces are in hot pursuit
I think they will lose a great many
men today we are trying back
on the flank and perhaps will

The river soon we have had no fighting
to do since I last wrote

My health is good again I feel much
better when we are on the move
Will is not very well but is still with
us George is well and Eli has gone
back to the rear with the wounded.
Wash was at our camp on the first
of this month he was well I have
not seen Lewis again we placed
a part of his corps yesterday
his division was not along I
wrote him a few lines the other
day but have not received any
answer yet

I will have to close
With love I remain your
Friend
Gibbe