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Chattahoochee River

to

Sunday July 10th 1864

Dear Mary I again seat myself to write you a few lines. I am well at present and enjoying myself as best I can considering the duty we have to do and hot weather it is so warm one can hardly stand it. we have had so much fortifying and other duty to do that we are pretty well worn down but still we keep in good health. Our Corps has done nothing worth relating since I last wrote we merely advanced our lines about five miles and that without opposition.

This morning the Rebs. have evacuated their position in front of us and have fell back across the river there is no force now this side of the Chattahoochee. Hooker and Schofield are supposed to have crossed with a heavy force I think Atlanta will be ours in a few days

The Rebels appear to be very much discouraged and are deserting in large numbers yesterday our skirmishers and theirs met and talked almost all day they say they know they are whipped but hate to give it up. I believe if it was not for a few of their head leaders rebellion ^{would be} one of the things that were before the end of this month.

Mary Lewis was over and took dinner with me yesterday I managed to get him a pretty good meal we had fried beef beef soup coffee sugar and crackers a little more than we generally have we enjoyed ourselves very well for a few hours while he was here we got orders to be ready to move at a moments warning but have not left yet.

I do not know of much more of importance to write I wrote for you to send me some postage stamps for fear you do not get it I will ask it again I do not know when

we will be paid off but not untill
the campaign is over.

I will ask one more favor that
is for you to send me a pair of
suspenders by male.

They are hurrying up the make
so I will have to quit

From your
Hibi

Write a little often if you
please