Bermuda Hundred Virginia June 29th 1864

Friend Hall. I rec’d your letter of (illegible). Well I have lost your letter so apologize (sic) for my delay in answering your letter. I will say that I have been waiting and hoping we would hear something from Henry but we have not heard from any of the missing, not any one in the Regt from the Col to the private has any doubt but that they are prisoners. We had another fight on the 15th. Our Regt lost 5 killed, l8 wounded & 16 taken prisoners. Our Co had one killed and one wounded on the 14th. There was a box came from you to Henry. It appears from the leter (sic) you sent in it you sent it in April. The buter (sic) and honey was good, but the other things was spoiled. I took the responsibility of oppening (sic) it. I sold the buter (sic) & honey for $2.00. I will remit this amount to you when they pay me for it. The box had laid over at Hilton Head.

We was paid off on the 12th of this month up to the first of May, also $25.00 of the U.S. bounty. Henry’s is still in the hand of the paymaster. The person must be present to draw his own pay. You wanted to know if there was any [way] you could communicate with him. If you know what prison he was in you could send a letter by the truce boat for Exchange of prisoners. Our troops are still fighting at Petersburg. We have command of the Rail Road, no doubt we will have the City in a few days. The President & Escort rode along our breast work a few days since, he is a very plain looking man. We have a very easy time just now. There is 3 Co. of us lying in a redoubt 200 yds in front of No.1 Batery (sic). We have but little to do. We have to turn out every morning at 3 ½ o’clock a.m. with arms, wait there 2 hours in case of a atack (sic) no picket duty to do.

Enclosed you will find a mark ribon (sic) that was in the testament I spoke of. I thought the donor of the testament would appreciate it.

I will close hoping we will hear from Henry soon. Be of good cheer, as I have no doubt in my own mind you will soon have the pleasure of welcoming the lost boy to your & your Parents embrace. Write soon & oblige

Yours truly

John Hunter

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