

Romney Headquarters

Hampshire Co<sup>ty</sup> Va<sup>ca</sup>

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Dear father and mother I sit Down  
this pleasant sabaath morning to adress you with

A few lines informing you that I am  
well hoping these few lines may find you the  
same I wrote a letter yesterday and sent it  
By Washington I shouldent of wrote to say  
but I got some News this morning from  
Lenhaway And I supposed may you should

like to hear from there I saw this  
morning old mr Beexrad that you know  
use to preack at our house when we lived on  
Lenhaway he belongs to a company from parkers  
Burgh he is just a private in the Company

I knew him as soon as I saw him  
He told me that uncl ~~Ben~~<sup>Ben</sup> and lill and Worley  
was not secessionist nor aaron Criss for he enquired  
particulerly nor samuel W

but frank Benit was kiled and joseph Berson  
was Criples in the foot but got well again and  
Went to the rebel army again george Downs

Is Capton of a resion Company his son  
Fetcut and his son tom was secessionist and  
They both got kiled by our troops

Josh Con was union and he was killed  
at Hopkins was union and he was  
shot Down in his own Door

Harrison ferule is not a seisionist <sup>and</sup> he  
is high sherriff of that County

Sour Lurn was not shot at all but  
he had Command over several rebels  
and they got so w<sup>th</sup> they couldent be Comanded  
and just run through the Woods like Wild  
beests getting oportunitys to shoot some union  
man pery these stole a drove of horses and  
went to richmond and is there yet

This is the tele. reterode told me this morning  
he lives in richy County yet has rethbone  
Is Couronal of arjement all the bells is  
union reterode is in the same rjement that  
I am in I never expected to see such a val  
man as him in the army he looks harty

I supose his idy is to get in for Cheplin  
Perhaps, I sent you 2 \$2.50 home to you by  
Washington and my likeness and also about  
Wright to me and let me know whether  
you got it or not It is dery warm here  
to say and has been for two or three Days

I am in the hospittle waiting on the sick  
and perhaps Will be all winter

I get \$20 Dolars emonth I could stay  
in it three years if I wanted to st. \$ To amount  
you

Need Not get scared and think  
that I am sick because I am in

the hospittle for I am as well as I ever  
was I dont know how soon I can get home

A General Bankes took winchester last  
night they made an attack on it yesterday at twelve  
oclock and fought till sun down last night  
General Kelly got a dispatch this morning to  
that effect Eye couldnt say positively that  
it was taken but that is the report

that come here this morning to general Kelly  
- Jeff Davis wants to come to a compromise  
So the paper states there has been several forts  
taken from <sup>them</sup> lately the Government has called  
out five <sup>thousand</sup> men for two months  
and there must be going to be something  
done pretty shortly or that wouldnt be

I Dont think the rebels is going to hold  
out very long now ~~that~~ I must bring  
my letter to a close as I am getting close to  
the bottom of the paper perhaps reverend would  
like to hear from you Wright as soon as you get  
this letter and let me know whether you got that  
money or not it is an uncertain thing about sending <sup>now days</sup> money

No more at present but remain your so till Death

William S Jefferys Amos Jefferys  
Elisabeth Jefferys Pissy Jefferys