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Sharpsburg, September 6th, 1864

Dear Christian & Amelia

I suppose you have received my letter of the latter part of July, as also one from Elizabeth some three weeks later. I was just about to mail your letter on Saturday when a Squad of Soldiers came to the house and arrested Sam, Savilla & myself and took us to Harpersferry when we got to the mouth of the lane which leads down to the mill the lieutenant and a pofsy of Soldiers took that road and went on and arrested Morgan and Rench we stoped at antietum Bridge til they came up, then we went on to the ferry together. the Lieutenant prefsed John Benner and his two horses and Col. Miller's Carriage to take a wounded Rebble soldier (who had been at our house for a month or six weaks he was shot through the shoulder below the shoulder blade, and shattered the bone. The Surgents ripped open the arm from the bullet hole down the arm about four inches and took out the shattered piseses, also the upper-shoulder blade. He was a young man from Baltimore County by the name of Meriman a fine looking fellow his father is well off) Sevilla and myself and a wagon which they brought up to take the three boys; we got down at dusk Savilla and I ware conducted to a boarding house Some distance up town where there ware two ladys kept the house we had excellent quarters, but the boys ware sent up the Shanadoer to a guard house however they did not complain much of their boarding and treatment and I had to pay our boarding Six dollars per weak we ware there two & a half weaks which cost \$30 we had a guard at our dore all the time I soon found that I could have no interview with any of the officers I comensed writing to them but to no purpose but we soon got others inlisted in our behalf Captn Alexandrew [?] who was one of Gen Hunter staff had his office in the same house we stayed in. he took an active part in our behalf and would have gotten us off sooner but he was removed from there to Frederick City (when they got to heare of the Rebbles crossing over into Maryland) he remained there some five or six days. when he came back he took up the case again and examined into the matter and found that there was no charge against either of us, then the provost Marshal discharged us without asking a word....

... Affectionally yours

Jacob Miller