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Camp near Murfreesboro Tenn
April 9th 1860,

Respected Friend

I was not less surprised than gratified on receiving your more than welcome letter of the 8th inst. I had almost despaired hearing from you any more, and I had almost come to the conclusion that I had as well quit - but after a while there came a response to my as I thought - lost letter, you said for me to answer your letter if I thought it worthy of an answer, why that is absurd for I consider any letter that comes to me worthy of answering. Therefore I never rec'd a letter that I did not answer. I have three letters to answer and they all tell me of some one getting

named and I dont know but some of
the Boys are discouraged, as far as I
am concerned I think it is to good
a job if they have a chance they
had better accept for this War is
very uncertain There is no one in
the Army that has any assurance
of getting Home. Those Peace makers
at home seem to be great men but
I am afraid they will never accomplish
a great deal making Peace at Home
they are commencing in the wrong
place the fire is to far in the
Rear. They dont respect the soldiers
any farther than they are afraid
of them. I hope the day is not far
off when these fellows will quail
to see the soldiers returning to their
homes then we expect they will keep
their mouths shut. I have told you in my
other letter that I expected a push

I have given up all hopes of ever get-
ting to come home untill the War is over
or my three years is out then of
course if we are a live we will
get home not before I dont
think I have anything of Interest
so you need not expect much
more but I expect I have written
as much or more than will be
acceptable. My friends write and
tell me that we are going to have
a hard Fight it is quite a cons-
olation to know we have to fight
just like we did not know any
thing about it of course we have
not accomplished anything since
we came out without Fighting and
we know that if we dont do the
fighting it wont be done we are
not a band of Bot Regt we have
always had duty to do and are

ready and willing to do our
share our old Regt. has gained
a Name and helped to gain a
Name for these State that never
will die. as I have written more
than I expected too I will quit
till I hear from you again
answer on the receipt of this &
oblige your sincere friend

S. Hughes

C. W. B.