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Camp 10th Ind Cav. Near
Chataki [?] Army May 27th

Dear Father

You will be somewhat surprised to hear from us at this place but we are here it seems to look some like we were in the army. We left Camp near Nashville at 2:30 a.m. Wednesday morning and arrived at this place 13 a.m. yesterday. The came through on the R.R. This place is 8 1/2 miles from Nashville. The St. Decatur Road we are 18 miles from the Alabama Line. We came through Franklin and Columbia and several other places noted as three having been battles there since this War. I hope you are not very
from the front now. Our Army left here about 2 months ago. This is called the last part of Lennisco. If so I don't want to run the first part the country is all from our and March discouraged and every thing seems to be stopped. Catasta is a small pleasant up petula place about the edge of Columbia and but not near the business done. Richland River runs through here. Everything above a spring stream is called a River. Why is it I don't hear from you. I have had but two letters from you since I left Columbia. I expect a lot when they do come.
You received your letter I hope you are well. All is well with the Regiment and everything is being done as directed.

I think we have got one of the best columns in the service. There is not a man in the Regiment but what would do anything for him. We don't dream at all and he tells the boys that he is not a bit better than a private and he strikes as much of a private that he is himself. As he does of a captain I will close now. Write soon to all the boys. They are all well. I am perfectly well again.

Dorish to one at Pulaski Inn.

Yrs.,

S. Safford
Dear Father,

You will be somewhat surprised to hear from us at this place but we are here it begins to look some [[like?]] we were in the army – we left Camp near Nashville at 2:30 A.M. Wednesday morning and arrived at this Place 3 P.M. yesterday –

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I Expect a lot when try do come- the probability
is that we will stay here some time but I cant tell we may go farther South Tomorrow – I tell you there is a Difference in the way the sun comes down here then in Indiana – there are troops going to the front Every day on the R.R. and in great numbers too – Yesterday I saw an Illinois Regiment that had been Mustered out they were Direct from the front they say Sherman will take Every thing before him and that Atlanta will be ours in a short time – You can see by the Map where you are – I wrote you twice from Nashville on a from Bowling Green and twice from Green River and from Salt River and once from Louisville I don’t think
you Ricieved them all of I certainly would have heard from you, All it wants is the Regt and Co directed plain on it and it will come through – I think we have got one of the Best Colonels in the service there is not a man in the Regt but what would do any thing for him

He don’t wear at all and he tells the boys that he is not a bit better than a private and he thinks as much of a Private that behaves himself as he does of a Capt – I will close now – Write soon love to all the Boys are all well I am perfectly well again Direct to me at Pulaski Tenn

Your Off son
James B. Safford