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**Transcriptions by Center for Digital Collections staff.**

Camp near Brandy Station Virginia

April 28<sup>th</sup> 64

Annie Dear Sister

I received your kind and welcome letter and was glad to hear from you. I cannot say that I am entirely well for I have got a tremendous bad cold But I am getting better now tell mother she must not think hard of me for not writing to her for we are getting ready to make a move and we are kept very busy. You all treated me very kindly when I was home and I enjoyed my visit very well when my time is up I will come home I have made up my mind never to enlist again. I will try and be contented and if I cannot content my self I will go in the Navy But as you say when once free from the Army I think I will be better satisfied... I suppose I will not have another chance to write to you for some time so if you dont hear from me you need not be uneasy... the weather is very warm this is a warmer day down here than any day we had in Maryland the last summer I was at home. I was very sorry to hear of so many deaths around your place I hope they are better off but I fear for some of them we know not how soon your time and mine may come for I tell you when I think of what I have passed through I begin to think times was a little [Squally??] dont you

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