

Chattanooga Tenn.

Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 1863

My dear Mother  
I received your letter from you  
and was glad to hear from you. When you  
were in the valley you were just being in the middle of Chen-  
nago Creek. I have written to you two or three times  
since that time, so that before you receive this you will be  
relieved of all anxiety concerning my safety, so far as  
I am concerned. I have no concerns. I should have  
written more specifically to you before this, but for  
the uncertainties surrounding our position here.  
We are in hourly expectation  
of perhaps being of an attack. There is some pro-  
spect of another battle at this point. If one should take  
place it will be of a character entirely unprecedented  
in our country and history. I am undoubtedly  
in a very strong position and very active  
in our country. There have been going on among them all  
I am not sure of it. We know not. They may  
mean attack. I am sure but I am not sure. - What-  
ever it be, it will probably affect our position ma-  
terially. There is a probability that the enemy intends to at-  
tempt some of kind movement. I think they will have

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thankful to lose it that is of no report you  
are doing for our country. I do hope that we  
shall be able to raise money in the same line to  
assist in it. That we shall not have to leave  
the place where is little to be put in the  
way of our business.

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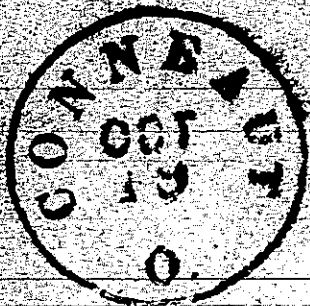
which was placed before me - we have  
labored and sacrificed for our Country in  
her hour of need. Thank God for the strength  
which He has given me to perform this great  
duty of my generation. Thank God that  
He has given me even the smallest portion in  
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