

Aug 20th 1868

Dear Father

I received a letter from you a short time ago, also one with your Photograph in the spring (which I confess ought to have been answered long ago) for which I thank you sincerely. We who are at home are enjoying our usual health, and have plenty of work on our hands, but I trust, not so much as to interfere with, or entirely destroy thoughts of a future life. I feel myself the weakest of the weak as respects a Christian, but my trust is in the Saviour of sinners. Shiram is in New Orleans at present, We were very uneasy about him for some time after the explosion at Mobile as he was there at the time and we did not hear from him for a month or more but though he had a loud call he was not hurt. We have not heard from Hollis

Since the fore part of July
he had resigned his commission as
Capt, of Commissary and intended to
come home we are expecting him every
day We have had a very cool summer
the weather is now beginning to seem
like dog days Our crops are very good
and we have a great deal to be
thankful for to our Heavenly Father
I should like very much to get
Enos's Address the last I heard from
him was that he was drafted and
I supposed he was in the war
Mary