

Camp, Nicholas, Fort, May 1862

Dear Aunt

I would more try to write  
to you all to see if I  
can get an answer from  
you I have written to you  
four or five times since  
the fight and I have  
not received a letter  
from you since only  
the one you sent me  
by John Pitt and you said  
you had not got no letter  
from me since the fight  
Aunt I just will  
tell you the news as I  
think of it James Maher  
died Sept 12 he has  
been sick & nearly every

since the battle and  
on that day he was shot  
about ten miles and  
about eight o'clock he  
was lying down in his  
tent when it fell down  
on him. I suppose he  
smothered to death for  
he was dead ~~before~~ <sup>before</sup> they could  
get it off of him.  
Send Manda I have had  
the mumps but I have  
got well again several  
of the boys have got them  
but not very bad  
it is very hot down  
here now it is as warm  
down here as it is ~~is~~  
up here in the middle  
of June. Send I wrote  
to you soon as John hit  
come tell cousin love  
Howard & I answered

cousin love Howard  
and send it in yours  
I want you to write  
me word whether you get  
it or no I wrote to  
mes and told him what  
you said I did not tell  
him how I heard it  
write soon and give  
me all of the news  
no more at present  
give my respects to all  
of my friends particularly  
to Mrs. Daily I have not  
heard from Jerry for  
some time  
yours

Amos G. Merrill  
C. A.

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