Franklin County: Peter Boyer to his father, Peter Boyer, May [?], 1863

Summary:

Boyer provides a description of the Chancellorsville battle in Virginia.

Peter Boyer

May 1863

Central Virginia

Dear Father

I take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well at present hoping that these few lines may find you in the same state of good health Further I let you know that we had a great battle for seven days and I let you know that we had very hard times during the fight *[illeg.]* We had to follow the generals wherever they went and some times they took us in the thickest of the fight and one day as I was riding past our Brstworks amid the roaring of Cannon and the rattle of musketry I hurd a fellow say to me Peter how do you do wen I looked around and saw Denyel and *[illeg.]* Eackerd coming towards me I let you know that it makes a fellow feel good to see his brother and friend in such a time as that was

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I must soon come to a close for this time Write soon again and write often I give my best respect to you and all my friends

So no more at present but remain

Your Son

Peter Boyer

A few lines to my mother I was very glad to hear that you are enjoying good health and I saw in your letter that you would like to know how my boarding is It is good at present but during the fight we had predy hard times We got cofee enough and I make my own cofee, I make it how I like it and we get sugar enough so I must come to a close for this time your son Peter Boyer Mother

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