

Campus The Park of Dickinson College
Carlisle Penn.

June 28th 1863

Messrs J. R. P. & M. L. Underwood

My Dear Little Brothers
It is with much pleasure that I have an opportunity
to write you a few lines in answer to a kind &
interesting letter which I received from Jim.
This morning I was truly glad to hear from you
once more as I had not received a letter since
I left Fredoniestown. I also received Fannie's
letter last night which letter I am glad to send
you & Fannie wrote me that Pa has been very
sick but was better I had been very uneasy
about him until I received your letter which gave
me a great deal of satisfaction to hear that
improving. I hope he is out of danger by this
time. Ma & Fannie both wrote me that
they had been sick I hope they have recovered by this
time. As to my health it is very good at
this time. You will see from the heading of
this letter that we are in Carlisle. This
is the place that we have heard so much about.

I am now renting in a few feet of the
old College. The place where Mr Peach ^{Yuley}
+ Gordon graduated at Little did I think
when I heard them talking of College that I
would ever see this place. It is a
very beautiful City. The College is a very
fine building. Though it is a very old
one. It is in 18 miles off
Harrisburg, the Capital of the State. I do not
know whether ^{it} is marked on that
place or not. If I know I would not be
allowed to write it. I have written 3 letters
since I have been on the march one to
at Litchfield Ct Va. + one at Williamsport Md
+ another at Green Castle Pa. I hope you will
receive them. Well Brothers I have no further news
to write you I will write to Pa the next opportunity
I can. I write much news while on the march. I
should I ever be spared to return home I can
probably interest you. I am very glad ^{to hear} of your
crop looking so promising. I hope you may ^{make} a good
crop of corn + wheat. I would be glad I could

be with you to assist in gathering the
repart I will collect my remembrance
letter for the time I hope I will then
be able to write you a more
interesting letter the next time I
write. Give my best love to all & accept

The love of your Brother
W. J. Hammond

To, J. B. P. & M. L. Hammond

Excuse handwriting