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Letter found written to Judith E Hill wife of Nathaniel  
Barrett Hill by son William Hill

?Camp near Hagerstown Md.

July 8,1863

My dear mother,

I received a letter from you sometime ago. But owing to the fact that we were then marching. I could not get a chance to answer it. As the caption of my letter will now show we are in Maryland. We have been as far north as Chambersburg Pennsylvania at a city called Gettysburg Pennsylvania. We have had a very severe battle. I was wounded in the Thigh slightly and at present off duty. My wound is somewhat painful but not severe. I am able to walk about although I am lame from it. You need have no anxiety about it in a week at the furthest I will be ready for duty.

Our army will be in another battle soon. The Calvary are fighting some eight miles off. I will write to you as often as circumstances will permit. Your letters you can direct as formally. This is the only sheet of paper I have at present or I would write to sister. Tell her I received her letter and had no opportunity to answer it. I have not had any sickness on the march. Robert Pearson lost his Right arm in the last battle. Our army suffered pretty severely in killed and wounded. Although we did not gain a victory still we did not Suffer a defeat. You must write often and let me know how you all are. Give my love to sister and all the family.

William Johnson is missing it is not known whether he is killed or not. He is supposed to be wounded and a prisoner in the hands of the enemy. I state this as douthtless some inquiring will be made of you, as to his welfare. I do not know of any Thing further that would prove interesting to you all. Give my love to all the family. Remember me kindly to all inquiring Friends and believe me ever.

Tell Mary and Albert howdy For me. When you see Woodward and Johnny and Lonny give them my love. Tell Johnny to quit his gambling and prove him self a man. I wish I had it in my power to send you some money to assist you. I have not any now. When I can I will send you some.

Your affectionate son

William Hill

This letter is to my gr gr gr Grandmother Judith E Hill  
wife of Nathaniel Barret Hill she was the daughter of Jessie  
Stewart & Will-moth Williamson ( Stewart )