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Near White Oak Church Va. 11<sup>th</sup> 1863

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Description: W.B. Adams letter about march

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From your Brother  
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