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Description: Letter from Samuel B. Hunter to Alonzo Garcelon regarding the conditions at Camp Griffith, near Washington, D.C in north Virginia.

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