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Dear Mother

The Steamer did not go this morning as they told me it would, but will go tomorrow morning or to night. My baggage is on board and I have got to go on board to night. Pallet came down this morning while I was there so you see I will have company. He is a big talker and I guess thinks a good deal of himself. The Steamers name is The American.

Cant write anymore now give my love to all.

Your Affectionate Son

CJ. Hardaway