Chapel Hill, May 65
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My Dear Son,

I have attended the services up to Saturday 28. My long habit of writing a letter every day may make on you an unnecessary waste of time in reading them, but they serve me a good purpose in partial employ. Yesterday I did not leave the house even for Church. I do not go on any thing like a private quiet. My glance informs me that Capt. Hamilton, with a number of citizens from Pittsboro, crossed the river once earlier this morning following a house on the other side, once attacked there, killed two and wounded three. Which act has been justified by God. Others have been detailed from there to burn the house and bring off the wounded this morning two army wagons carry six Mules drove up to my gate with a Capt. and ten or fifteen men, to haul off my bedding as the Capt. bade by order of the Govt. My guess who is a Stirling fellow. Demands the order. Which the Capt. will not.