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Dear Sir

Strong news this morning by Telegraph. We have at great cost won a victory at Emahassar. Bonquard's horse was shot from under him, we detach we took Sherman's Battery 30 guns. Fought all yesterday and the enemy retreated rapidly at night. Johnston pursued them nothing from our Regiments. Co. Gadsden, Regt. of Lynchburg nearly all destroyed. Genl. Bonham & Co reported mostly wounded also several Co's from the far South.

To be pretty flat this morning I hope this victory will do us good.

The enemy had about 100,000 & we about 60,000 and they must see by this fight that we can never be conquered.

I expect to go to Richmond Wednesday In haste

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