

Camp 5th Mass Regt } 345,
Near Sharpsburg, Md. }
Sept 30, 1862 }

His Excellency, Gov. Washburn,
Dear Sir:-

Your letter is
just recd. Many Thanks for your trouble.
As suggested, I have written out the accompa-
-nying statement under great difficulties, as we
are on the go all the time, and the constant
marching is wearying, very.

We have gained a glorious victory
Our regt done nobly at Leesampton Gap
on Sunday last. You have doubtless got all
the particulars.

Hoping Your Excellency may
live long to enjoy the
— "Fruit of Patriots'
blood and toil,"

I remain

Yours Most Obedt
W. E. Stevens
Lt Col. Co. 5th Mass Regt