

W. Point - 24th June - 27

D^r father

I arrived here last Thursday the 21st and have already been examined, and I am glad to add have been admitted - Yesterday we came into camp, and I am now in my tent sitting on my knapsack and writing on my chair - I am better pleased than ever with the Academy - I was well rec^d by the officers on my return and now start with the prospect of success hereafter - Am delighted with the hardships accompanying a military life, but still give the civil the preference - My duties will prevent my writing more, although I had intended to have written a long letter concerning the discipline and course of study in use here - Give my respects to all my relations and friends - Tell Cousin Charlotte that I am daily expecting an answer to my letter which was written before I left Washington

Believe me your
grateful son

Henry Clay

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