

Camp near fredricksburg
Dec the 28, 1862

Dear wife I take my pen in hand this pleasant Sabbath morning to inform you of my health which is good thanks be to god for it and I hope through the mercies of god these few lines will find you and the children in good health I have ben spared through more hard battle and it was a site to see the poor wounded soldiers laye in the field from Satterd til Sunday nite we lost about 10,000 kiled and woulded and we think the rebels lost as much as we did we drove them from the river to the woods and they stayed

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you better hope you enjoy your selves well I have sent you five dollars and I send you \$10 more in this letter and have \$10 more to send if you get this safe I got my bounty of twenty five dollars and have not spent it I sent of my monthly pay which is over 52 dollars but I think we will get too months pay in a few days but cant tel for surten abe and steve got thair pay four four months abe was to see me yesterday and ??? Thomas came out of the fite all rite but Stephan has deserted and started for home ??? Delamarter belongs to the cavalry you must write often I cook for the capt so I don't have to carry a gun but I was rite in the fite with the boys I carried water fore them and made coffee fore them when we were not fiteing it lasted for days

to E M Delamarter from J. Delamarter

Camp near Sedgwick

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Consider me your best hope
you enjoy your value
I will have sent you
five dollars and a card
you 10 more in this letter
and have 10 more to send
if you get this hope
I got my bounty of twenty
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