

Camp Phelps.
Brattleboro. Vermont,
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My Dear Wife:

I have been very negligent in not writing to you every day. but yesterday I was busy and sent word by Chas. Stevens to you - He did not go home, so Jeff. Flinders carried the word.

I am perfectly well and am getting older rather impatient to get home. The paymaster is not here and we dont know when he will be here - not till next week.

I would get a furlough to go home but I dont like to set such an example. I hope you can get along comfortably for a few days more. I shall then be at home to remain unless you are willing I should leave.