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The boat off a number of miles east from  
from Camp. (North) and 4 miles from the City  
The house I am stopping at is 3/4 of a mile  
The

Chicago Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 1862

Dear Maria

Commissioner of the  
St. Louis, Mo  
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I have just got through eating my breakfast of milk toast and will now attempt to write you a few lines on the strength of it. I am gaining in strength gradually and my yellowness is fading away slowly - I keep as cool as circumstances will permit of and am pretty well contented in my situation. Last night I let the man who has been taking care of me go back to camp as I am able to take care of myself now and I did not feel like keeping him here and paying the expense of his board for little or nothing.