

Chesapeake Hospital
Near Fort Monroe Va.
June 23^d 1863

Dear Maria

I am still here
but feeling much better and
as my appetite begins to increase
I presume I will be strong
in a few days and able
to join our Regt. I got a
letter from Lt. Swett to day
and one enclosed from you
which was written the 17th
The Regt. is still at Fort Monroe
but they intend to advance in
a few days. It seems that
Martha is still with Elisha
but probably in this she has
left for home. It seems he (E)
is troubled as I have been
well it is a very disagreeable
complaint and sometimes is