

Chesapeake Hospital.

Near Ft Monroe Va

June 30<sup>th</sup> 1863

Near Maria

I am still here but am gaining strength slowly and will no doubt soon be able to join the Regiment, but somehow in this country one does not get over a little sickness as soon as in a northern climate. I am well every way now except being weak, and strength is coming. I shall go down to the Fort to day or tomorrow and see about a horse and if I can get one I shall bring him to this place and have him to ride for exercise. I am anxious to get back to the Regiment. I hear they are near Richmond and I should be sorry to not be with them if