

Worhead City - Md.  
July 5<sup>th</sup> 1864

Dear Maria

I write you a few hurried lines to go on the Spanish I presume in this you have heard of fighting in this vicinity - On the morning of July 2<sup>d</sup> the Enemy attacked us at Newport Park's first the Out posts - then our main body at the Park - their force was four times ours and we were obliged to give way and fall back across Annapolis River burning the Bridges in our rear but not till after a sharp fight of I think about 3 hours. The Enemy came to our rear which gave us no chance to use our guns in the Fort - The loss about 50 men is killed wounded and missing in our Regt one Lt Captured & one wounded our new recruits - composed nearly