

Camp of R.^d Vermont Vol. M.
Near Rappahannock R. R. Bridge
May 16th 1863 - Va.

My Dear Wife:

One by one the days drag themselves along - Today is Saturday and seven weeks from today the boys expect to be mustered out of the U.S. service. Some, even, expect their turn is out the 23^d of this month. I am afraid they will be disappointed. Your letter written in ^{Boston} ~~Charleston~~, Sunday was rec'd last night - I got one from Laura last night & one tonight saying that she had rec'd a letter from you saying that you were coming home on Tuesday - So I suppose that you are at home & shall expect a letter tomorrow from you from home - It makes me think of home to know that you are there - I hope your health is better than it was & that you will take care of yourself when you get home - Go about as much as you can & see all you can, be in the open air and if

See how I will write her tomorrow