



Ship Island Apr 6th 1862

My own Dear Mother,

I will try and see if I can find a few words to talk with you about. I have already wrote about all that I have seen here yet, and as the mail is not going out so soon as I expected when I finished Father and Lyman letter I wil try and write a little more thinking that you wil be glad to busy your self to read it although it comes from as bad a boy as I am, it is now almost sun down and another Sabbath day is almost gon, but it seems but little like the Sabbath days in Elmore where we can go to church and sit down and hear our Minister preach but I hope that when we get our tents pitched and settled down that it wil be better for us. I have read my Testament and book of Psalms through and got over into St Mark again,