

8<sup>th</sup> Regt. Vt. Vol  
Co. A

Oppelous La. May 1<sup>st</sup> / 63

Dear Sister & friends,

I take my pen  
once more to write you a few lines to  
let you know that I am well I  
hope these lines will find you  
comfortable I wish they might find you  
well. we are here at the same place  
where we was when I sent the letter  
to Mother wrote with a pencil.

We are now 180 miles from New  
Orleans nearly west. I wrote <sup>before</sup> that we  
had had two days fight - perhaps you would  
like to hear a little about it, we  
started from Brashear City the 11<sup>th</sup> march  
ed up the Teche where we went in Jan  
and the 12<sup>th</sup> we came in contact with  
the enemy. our Co. was a head skirmishing

Wag. Co. is quite slim now for a few days. I am with him to day waiting  
on him some.  
The rest of the boys  
are well and lively