

I read you 4th Regt. U.S.A.
In Camp near Yorktown
Apr. 18th 1862

Dear Friends at home
We were before the enemy
not doing nothing for the last
two days but to intrench during the
nights. In order yesterday the
attack had made on the enemy.
works were which a steep ground
they formed over a little to our
left to Yorktown a distance of about
eight miles. The works are very strong
and aided by the swampy bog
and mudfalls between us and
them are probably stronger than
Massachusetts ever was. The 12th
regiment did the fighting. the
4th losing two killed & eleven
wounded. the 2nd ~~reg~~ killed
& eight wounded the 6th 11
killed 40 wounded. the 3rd 9
killed 48 wounded. Total in