

Camp Lincoln before  
Richmond June 26<sup>th</sup> 1862

Dear Friends,

I am short of funds  
and short of writing  
materials my letters necessarily  
grow scanty. There are no  
signs of an immediate  
general engagement unless  
the Rebels begin it. This Battle  
of Richmond which so many are  
so anxiously looking for it and  
has been going on for a month  
and may be continued for two  
months to come. I think the Siege  
of Richmond will as it has thus  
far been carried on by Artillery  
No day passes without more or less  
shelling. Our lines are being  
daily crowded upon the Enemy  
with a steady and cautious