

Camp at Union Mills Va.

April 7th 1863

My Dear Sister

I thought when I commenced writing this morning that I would only write to mother to day, but concluded finally to write to you this evening. After I finished mother's letter Capt^l myself & half a dozen others went out to look at Manassas Junction, again; you needn't be afraid of my being taken prisoner by going a little outside the picket lines, there is no danger, the fact is you at home dont understand how things are situated; what is safe, & what is not safe. From the top of the hill, looking in the direction of Manassas