

Newmarket Va April 3rd/62

Dear Parents & Sister

I got your letter No 20 last night
& 2 papers night before last
I am well & am glad you are the
same. I found 3. 3ct pieces & 2 stamps
in it money is verry acceptable now
but I can get along well enough
without it at present We dont
hear any thing about being paid
off yet & I dont believe we shall
at present They say that the
Government is going to discharge
150 000 troops when we get to
Richmond but I dont know
about it I am pretty well satisfied
as I am But I dont believe I
should be mad if I was discharged
There is 15 Mass Regts here now
& the 1st Co of Sharp Shooters

I've not heard from Frank this
long time & I wrote to him last
We live rough enough I can tell
We have hard bread & coffee for
Breakfast & Supper & Rice or
Peas or Salt meat for Dinner
Orders have just come for us to
have 3 days rations cooked this
afternoon & we shall march at
7 oclock tomorrow morning
Well I am glad of it
The sooner we start the sooner
we shall get home
We had a devil of a shower
here last night [Sky?] had a
smart hand on the thunder
& lightning part of it I can
tell you Write as often as you
can for the letters will follow
us I am hearty as a pig
Yours Truly IE Green