

April 1th 1862

Dear Wife i write these few
lines on Board of the Steam Boat
Here we are bound for Fortress
Monro we will be there this day
and then we expect to have a march
to fight at Richmond there are
one hundred and Sixty thousand
Rebels there ready for fight so
there are in this brigad twelve
Regiments we are in the same fleet
i will give you the particulars
of our march and how things
when i will have a little more time
i wish to know if you had the
Money i send you fifty dollars
all in five dollars Bill and
i send you a paper lessley's
pictorial paper with a small
Gold Locket and a small scissors
the scissors for Eli and the
locket for you to get your