

Camp of the 11 Regt Mass Vol near the
Rappahannock Station Va August the 10 / 1862

Dear wife (and Children) I sit
down with pleasure to write these few lines
to you hoping it will find you in good health
As the Departure of this leaves me in at
present Thanks be to God for His Blessing does
all I main to inform you that I got a letter
from you seven days ago and gave me great
comfort in hearing that you and the Children
was all well And in good you must
Excuse me for not answering your letter before
This I would be only be expected to move
Every day but now there is no sign of
moving this month and I hope not for
The weather is very hot here at present
but our Duty is not hard at present for
all we have to do is to go on picket 2 days
in the week And we have only one mile to go
for our camp is only one mile from the river
and as I main to give my opinion about
the times here now I think there is no danger
of a battle in this month although the
papers close not hard so but I hope
that there wont for it would be
hard for a wounded man to live with
the heat of the weather

My wife I mean to let you know
about the ten Dollars which you got
the first of June we were paid 2 months
pay in May and then was 16 and 33 cts
stayed out of the 2 months for the block we
we got from the State of Mass when we
first come out and the balance of that
was \$10. (and 67 cts which you ought to get
we expect to get 2 months more pay in a
few days and is sworn as we will be
paid I will write and when you will
get the next pay you will get the 67 ^{cts}
which the kept from you before —
Give my love to Mary Anne Martha
Anne Margrett and Johnny I hope that
to God that you will enjoy your selves
untill I see you all once more

Give my love to Martin Anne
John and Family and Annular
Alec to Michael Torphy

No more at present from
Affectional Husband

Michael Talley
of Co C the 11 Reg^t
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