

Burgina
January 16 " 1863

Dear wife and
Children I set down
to write these few lines
to ye Hoping it will
find ye in good health
as the Departure of this
Leaves me thank the Lord
I wrote few lines
to you 2 weeks ago
as we were moving
The same day I had
time to say much
Again to inform you
that we did not move
only 5 miles North of
the Papawarick River
In to woods where we
could get shelter

Dear wife you spoke
of about I ^{am} trying to get
a furlow to go home to see
ye there is no leave given
from the war Department
and the only way to get
a furlow is for you to go
to Governor Andrew and
he can give you a furlow
for 15 or 20 days by telling
him that I have been
out since the 21st left
Boston and perhaps he would
get me one

Dear wife I hope ye are
all well and I long without
any trouble for by this
time I thought I should
be able to give you some
help we were not paid
as yet but we expect
it every day

I have not much to say
at present about the
moving of troops for every
thing is quite at present
the weather is very dry
and pleasant something
as it would be in Boston
the first of May give
my love to the children
Anne Martin and John

And to all the Kegan
" " girls
No more at present
from your affectionate
Michael Lally

Direct as this
Michael Lally
Co. B 11 Regt Mass Vol
Washington
D. C.

Write Swoon
(And let me now
know the weather
is in Boston)

Let Miss Harvey
that her husband
is well and stops
in one tin with
me since he come
to the State of Mass