


 Camp of the 11th Reg^t Mass Vol
 A near Cripple Virginia
 October the 3rd 1863

I was wife and
 children sit down with
 pleasure to write those few
 lines to you Hoping it will
 find you in good health as
 the Departure of this leaves
 me thank be to God for His
 Blessing to us all

Dear wife
 I received letter from
 you on the 28 of the last
 month stating you got
 the 20 dollars that I sent
 by Adams Express I mean
 to inform you that I did
 pay the Express for there
 is no pay taken here for
 the packe telling is all closed
 and then sent in

Dear wife I mean
to let you know that
there is not much chance
of a battle here at present
for this last week half
the Army of the Potomack
is gone to ~~Washington~~ ^{Reasoner} Reasoner
75000 men is gone on there
and I believe it is there in
force the whole fighting will
be done this fall I hope that
you have got that 30,000 dollars
that is allotted by this time
from my love to Mr. Childs
and to Master and John
Hagan and all the girls

I mean to inform you
that we expect to get from
the 1 of January and we
have had so from the
Washington paper

I have send Mary
letter & hope she was
got it

No more at present
from your affectionate

Husband Michael Galley
Sec. to U. S. Dept. Mass. vol
Washington D. C.

