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Camp Near York town Va
April 13th 1862

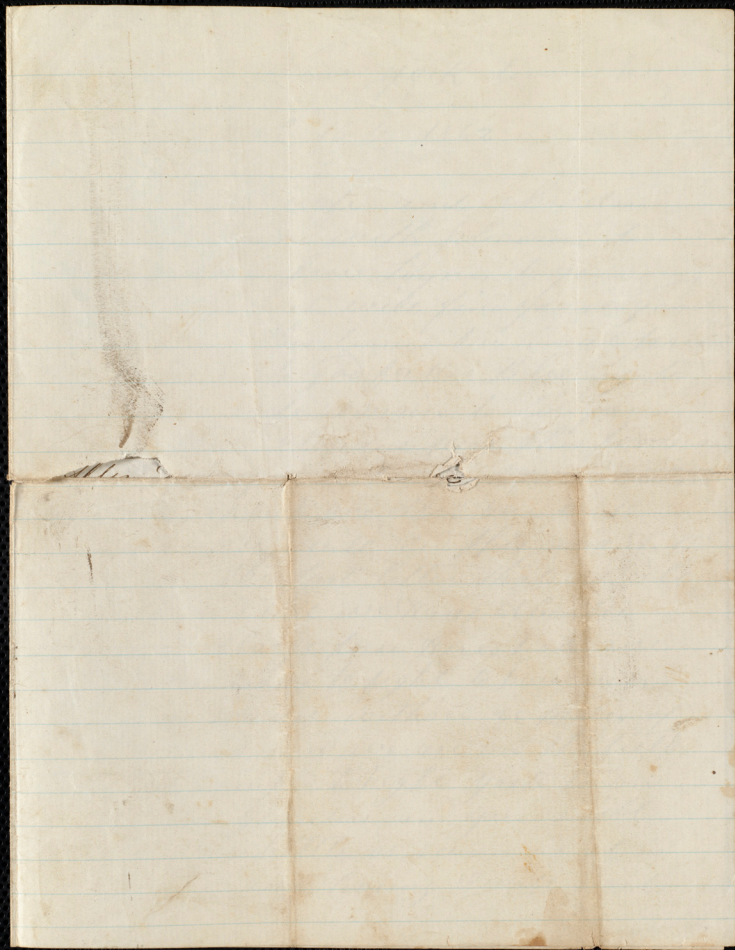
Dear wife and children
I sit down with pleasure to
write those few lines to you
Hoping that it will find you in good
Health as this leaves me in at present
Thanks be to God for this Blessing to
me Dear wife I mean to let you
know that I landed here this forenoon
after a long march we left our old
Camp 7 of May and Arr. here on 13—
I hope you will bid this and yet
will be the last letter that I will
write and till we have a battle
there is a large force here and we
will be ready to fight to morrow or
next day we are within 25 miles of
of Richmond and we are on the field
of battle Camped to night York town
the Rebels quarters and you will
hear of the battle as soon as it is
over, if I am living I will writ

After the Battle and let you know
All the particulars I could it
we have 20000 men here in within
2 miles round there will be the
greatest Battle here that was fought
as yet I have not much to say at
present let children know that
I will see them yet I am in
good Health and in good Health
Spirits and you do not be uneasy for
me Give my love to father and
brothers and sisters and to mother
Kegan and all the girls —

Yours more at present from
your affectionate Husband

Michael Lally
will as soon as you
get this I hope you will be loving
to see it

Direct your letter
to Washington D C



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