

Camp of the 11th Regt Mass. Co.
 W. a May the 11th 1863

Dear wife & sit
 down with pleasure to write
 those few lines to you and
 the children Hoping that
 It will find you in good
 Health as the Departure of
 this leaves me in at present
 Thanks be to God and the
 Blessed Virgin to bring me
 Safe through the Battle of
 last week where I have
 left good many of my
 Comrades after me but
 thank the Lord I am Safe
 & yet but I feel very tired
 and fatigued for we had
 a long March and we spent
 9 days and 9 night on the road

Dear wife you must
Excuse me for not saying
much in this letter or showing
you the Details of the Battle
for it would be no profit
to you if we do march
again Before I week I
will write and give you
the whole particulars
we lost out of our Regt
110 Men Killed and wounded
and the Company that I belong
to lost 11 Men

Gave my Love to the
Children Hoping to
see them once more
and tell Mary that I will
write her an answer to.
Her letter next week if
the Lord Spears me

Write as soon as
you can (and let me
know if you get the money
as yet tell Pat that
I will write to him in
a few days I have got
glitter from both of
you today which is the
first day that the mail
has been got since the
29 of April the battle
was fought on the 2 (and
3 and 4 of May
I do not wish to say
any more you will find
all account in the papers
I will conclude by
ye all my Love and
Blessing

Your truly Husband
Michael Lally

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