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Alexandria July the 16 1861

Dear wife and children I take my pen
In Hand to write these few Lines to
Hoping It might find you in good health
I hope you are at present thankful be
to god for His Blessing to us all I should
write before this only that were we come
to Washington we expected to leave every
day so we left Washington the 13 and went
up to Virginia and this night we shall
to fair fat 22 from where we are now

we have not got any money as yet and
don't expect any till we will be here one month

There is 30 000 men in camp here and
32000 Rebels in fair fat and this night
I expect there will be blood shed

I would like to see you all very much
I am your affectionate husband
A. S. S.

Mitchell Kelly

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