not worry if they are lost. When I came into the fields last fall I had three cents in my pocket. I carried them until a short time before I went home, when I lost two of them. While then, Robie one day was playing with a fan, when I showed him mine, telling him that was all I had. He immediately proposed to give me all he had, but I suggested that he should give one to me and one to Fanny, who else had one, and we should all have two. This he did immediately and seemed very much pleased with the arrangement. I intended to give him mine before I came away, but forgot to do it, and they are still in my pocket. You may imagine there was only one and himself always with me in my pocket.

I hoped to get a letter from you this day acknowledging the receipt of that $30, but none came. Perhaps I shall have better luck today. Have you got Harriet Beecher's book yet? I suppose not as you have not mentioned it. Neither have I got Hannah Thurston, nor do I expect to now. Robie is a very carefree fellow, pretty innocent of sentiment and without a forethought of those little contretemps which we know so much fun. There we love.

P.S. Your note to my father of the 27th instant arrived here in order to move up to Catlett's as soon as we are relieved. This evening, we think, probably remain there a day or two, and then go on to Rappahannock Station, and then in a few days, move on to Culpepper, and then move on over and whether Gen. Grant may direct. We shall hardly begin the movement for a week or possibly, ten days or two weeks yet. I believe I was mistaken about the Military Justice Bill. It has not passed yet. The House has disagreements to the Senate amendments, and a Con. Conference has been ordered for and granted. They will probably agree on something and put it through in a hurry. I shall be very busy to be writing soon about it until I learn that something else has been lucky enough to get the place. Nothing from Robie yet. I suppose he is wanting for the passage of the bill and possibly to occupied by affairs, not being concerned himself as to be unable to pay much attention to my business. Well, it won't trouble me much for the
Next few weeks. — No letter from you today. I sent you a note to accompany some wildflowers, to commemorate the Camp where I have spent the winter. All I had to say about them was said in the note. The day before I sent a letter to Belle, and think it would make the little maiden prize it more, I directed it to her, so the will have the pleasure of getting a letter all to herself for the first time in her life. Enclosed, I send a threepence piece which I think you had better give to little Mary, or I have never given her any thing yet. By the way, I want you to get her picture taken and send me one, my family collection being incomplete. She is about as old as one other children were when they were first [ illegible text: 28] had a storm last night in the corner of which the wind changed around to the north and it has cleared off quite cold. It is doubtful whether we get away from here today; we shall not stay more than a day or two longer I think, in any event. The wet weather I have been anticipating the least, for, not but in, after there was a good deal of rain early in the month. Of May, that prove or pleasant on the latter half of Oct.

and has been, the coming campaigns will not be attended by so many hardships, as our other Spring Campaigns have been. — What is the matter with Doctor Speirs? You speak as if I knew all about him, whereas I know nothing. He, he been hurt? Whatever is with the regiment and my a, Capt. Black. He is not seen as good an officer as Capt. whom I am very anxious to get back. I hope his foot will allow him to Come as I cannot get along with out him very well. E. is can bear and self-conceived, has no business habits, is domineering than E., but is not so useful an officer, C. is active and enterprising, E., lazy and indifferent; one takes care of himself; the other wants to be taken care of. Him made in a good deal like Capt. but better acquainted with papers. If Capt. returns, I shall let E. go away, if he can get a staff position.

Did I tell you that I intended to take what things I cannot carry to Luther Bay. I shall leave a small box and my book "Oriental" with Capt. Webster, the telegraph operator at Notterville to hand to Luther to whom I have written what I design to do. They best uniform coat is in thevalise but there is nothing particularly valuable in entire package. So you keep