Dear Husband,

May spring brighten as your heart brightens; may its rays as bright as the sun ever shine upon it. There are many doubts that trouble my mind, and I fear I may continue in as much danger as any man in the field.

I understand that some respect to go to Kentucky, and perhaps further. I have heard that when Bell was going, and as the matter has felt very much for me, I naturally returned the sympathy.

Yesterday, however, I met her and Sophias in a store, and thought she did not look very sad, yet was afraid to ask her the question, as she did not look so. I know it is hard to make a decision, and I would not have made a mistake.
a great deal better. I suppose, still there is much difference, and her brother is not to their family what mine is to me.

His hand is looking and calling out. So he's not going; but I thought about you yesterday meaning that she had thought then that she would go, and could fully enter into my feelings.

Daddy, my sympathies, says he is all right, but don't you and don't a young man in his place? If he will be accepted, which he does not think likely as he is not quite eight

Have "yes, indeed he's going as that is all he can do for his country?" I have been kindness by a grand service;

Poppa then been grundling be

came. Sally was allowed to go to church in the town and they kept all house.

Babs on in such that she could take them, and so she happened to be in a great Lamar I have answered. Rob wanted to know whether he could go next Sunday.

now, but I advised him to wait till after he had tried this time before asking for another day.

Then business affairs are to be married in the church next Tuesday evening, by a Philadelphia gentleman; and I leave it to the might train for her own home.

I am very anxious to know whether Robert has returned. At these anything he may know concerning your affairs, but I shall hardly be able to hear them today as aunt Ann Darro will be coming here immediately after reading your letter on Friday. I eat down and write you a short answer, and letter you that Mr. Belcher has promised to write to the operator and order the letter is sent to you. Please, I believe he did so yesterday, unless I have not seen since. I spoke to him about the matter on Friday.

Sally's letter came last night, as good as the rest, and deeply felt. The pretty little
flowers she put carefully away with those you sent once, saying she meant to keep them as long as she lived. I hope she may be blessed with many another letter from the same dear father.

May this call for the National Guard be the precursor of great success! The men are all good-humored, as far as I can hear and see, one can't help laughing at their jokes as they pass each other in the street. The apple heads make many over their going; but perhaps they will raise a howl when the draft is made, which I expect, soon.

A year ago today I was sorrowful at my speedy departure for home, leaving you awaiting orders, and a perilous trial before me. The expectant little one now ten months old is sleeping in her cradle, and I am safe, yet sorrow still! Yet by another first of May, not only you, but the whole Nation may hear Jesus safely through thoseardin times and all be joyful together! Not yet all, for many families will kindly feel the las
Evening — since writing the above.

I have been to Robarts. He came home last evening. The way he fresly you have me chance for that place, as it is thought that if anyone this man gets it, it will be a candid about. I think it is the name, Sherman said he should use his influence for him and not for the person you supposed.

As for the coming battle he thought perhaps two men, Grant and the President, might know when it would take place, possibly Grant only. I hope Witten go down as soon as it is over, and the telegraph come over in Washington, she will telegraph Rube so that we may have the earliest news.

The tidings from you, I hope it can be done, and not kept in suspense about you. David forgot to get the book for you which Robert intended to send in the saddle bags.