My dear Wife:

Now I come again at my Sunday business, but in an unexpected place.—I left New York on Saturday morning about 6 O’clock, passing Fort Hamilton at dusk. We got 20 guns to shift on the way, but did not see whom than from the Shawal, the rifled being shifted there. The trip was not as uneventful as I anticipated. Friday was very stormy day, & I was very glad were back in it in. The balance of the weather promised better & when we got out into seas the bow promised than one had expected. Nevertheless, because of the office, we left in some of them the ship. To my surprise, I was not sick at all. I felt square with some of the time, but got along very well by being down, laying off. I had the best that room...
In the ship. It was so particular
privations to stay in it, as itained
most of the time. The boat is large
and staunch & we have about
500 persons on board. So far we have
got along quite comfortably, having
had no trouble with the men since
leaving New York, when it required
a good deal of vigilance to pre-
vent desertion.

When I reach the
outpost I may perhaps be able
to tell what is to be done with
us. At present we are left to
conjecture. All the apparent looks
have been in such an aspect as
seemed to go back to the Army of the Po-
tomac. The prospect is very fair
now that they will have another
campaign on the "river side"
boat, says he would like nothing
could get any thing to eat. By the
way the i. s. not worth the having not
leaves of absence just as we started.
I write you about his accident.
His foot has not allowed himself
to allow him to go into the field.
There has not been a single
incident on the voyage, up to this
present writing, worthy of record. We
have not seen a whale, seeing a
ship, the fish even have not
been disposed to gamble in this
weather, to see those last nothing
to do but sit on the gunwale &
watch the most part of the time. If
this you know is the first time I
have been out of sight of land.
I don't think the legislation is my
opposite from that you have when
the land is twenty or thirty miles off.
The romance & beauty of the sea
Thomas an almost exciting speech
by him. Petersburg. Although I haven't
had it I have been on the verge of
it. Dep't, and the meaning
at the pit of my stomach, quite
keeps the operation of my brain
or sentiment calms. I must go on a
longer trip before I can speak.