

Camp Curtis Philad.  
March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1862

Dear Wife

Yours enclosing your own dear self & adon  
likeness was received with a great deal of satisfaction  
I think them to be excellent pictures altho I  
would like yours much better If you had not  
had your hair cut off It does not quite  
suit you with short hair

I made application for my Discharge about  
a week ago & the Col. has promised to get it  
for me Lt. Col. Curtis says that I am entitled  
to it and I shall have it he told me on Friday  
last that he had written to the Secretary of War  
for it. I think I will get it within two weeks  
Our Regt. goes to Baltimore sometime this  
week some say tomorrow & some on Wednesday  
I do not know when. I think that our surgeon  
will oppose my discharge as he wants me to take  
charge of the Hospital we have a very excellent man  
for Surgeon He comes very near being an Eclectic  
He told me last evening that he would never give a dose  
of Colomel if he could get Podophyllin. I have been  
sick for a couple of days & I gave him my Podophyllin