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Dear Emmy.

Having something to tell you, which I think will please you. I am going to write to you I hope, for the last, time. I have got my discharge from the army, and am coming home as soon as possible. I would have come without writing, but [you*] do like to be surprised, so I will write to give you the pleasure of expecting me, and perhaps, of being disappointed, for the transportation between here, and Fort. Monroe, is "mighty [onsartin."*] but if I have good luck, I mean to be with you by the third of June, and I doubt if you get this much sooner, so you will not have a great while to look for me.

But I will not write anymore now, but tell you the particulars when I get there. The cars, steamers, <u>and time</u>, will be dreadfill slow, till I see you, Leander