[fragment letter, no heading or salutation]

Aug 1st The boat will not get started till tomorrow and I will try and get in a few words more before she goes I have writen 3 or 4 letters today but I can write to you at any time. Your picture is sor not as good as the other you sent me, the Dr says it is not as good looking as you are, and I say so too, but Ruth's is an excellent likeness. Tell her I am very much abliged to her from it. But I will not write any more now as I shall want to write to you again this evening, as goodbye till then.

Aug 2^d

I did not have a chance to write last night, as the boys that are going home were in my room till very laste so I will write a <u>few</u> words, this morning before the mail closes. I must go down to the boat and see them off, and then come back and wish I was going with them. I have a splendid boquet of red and white oleanders on my mantle piece that I should like to send you, and I should like to have you see a hand of the crape myrtle that grows here, but it is impossible to send it so I will will wait and tell you about them when I get home. Well I shall have to close this now, but I will write nearly every day, and I am in hopes that we are going to have a better chance to send then we have Had.

Good bye, my own darling. I send many kisses to you and the <u>little</u> darlings, remember and write very often to your living husband.

Leander

On Back:

P.S. You need not send stamps for I can get them here now L.