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Dear Emmy,

There was a mail came in yesterday and did not bring any letter for me. I was very much dissappointed at not getting any word from my dear little wife, and that, I suppose, made me dream of you, and I had a bad dream, which has made me blue, and to ease my mind. and get square with you for not writing, I am going to write this so you can't read it, which after all will no loss as it will not amount to much any way. But seriously I do want to hear from you very much. I have nothing to write but as I have been writing to Elmer, I thought it best to send a few words to my darling to remind her that I expect at letter from her every mail if I do not write as often as I ought myself Joseph has got back to his reg^t though his wound is not quite heald. He said he would write to you today There has nothing happened that is worth writing about, since my last, but we are looking for something very soon. I do not feel a bit like writing today. but if I were with you I think I could find something to say. It seems as though we were getting near the end of our term of service, and when I get home, I think we shall know how to live and love each other better than we ever have done, but I have been as happy in your love since I left home as I ever was since I knew you, and I have no doubt but you can say the same, but I will not write anymore now, if you do no think this is worth three cents, just say so. and I will not write any more such.

My health continues good, and I am anxious to hear the same news from home. There darling, I do not like to close this, without writing something to make it worth the trouble of reading but I shall not be able, so I will send my best love to you and the babies. and subscribe myself as ever, your loving husband

Leander