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Great Valley
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There is a letter written
just after he had gone
back after they were
married on Apr. 12, 1856



Ernest Shackleton

got over!

has in a kite for your looking
I shall look for a letter from you
about Sunday do you think it

Camp Parah April 21st 1865

My Dear Good Wife

I arrived here this
morning all safe and sound had
no trouble at all. I went over to
Head quarters and reported I was two
days over my time but they didn't
say any thing to me about it I
wish now I had staid two days longer
I dont think they would have said
any thing if I had staid a week
longer. There isnt hardly any
of the Boys get back yet that went
when I did. They are sending them
a way that are exchanged as fast as
they get back. But I am not

exchanged yet so I may not leave
here in a long time yet

It is an awful mean time to travel
it has rained hard ever since yester-
day morning and you cant imag-
ine what lots of Mud there is
here it is so deep you cant walk
just "waller" like "pigs" when one go
any where.

Oh Sactie you cant think
how lame sick and lantam I
was all night Wednesday and Thursday
I couldnt keep my thoughts from
home and that I was having to
live on. a dear loving Wife and
oh how much I loved her I would
give any thing if I could be free
and could stay with her it seems
like an age since I saw you all
ready. I do hope I shant have to
stay my time out. Sactie that
nice cake you gave me was all
smashed and jammed to pieces when

an done it this morning. But it
tinted awful good. if it was break up

I didnt leave St. Valley Weds
day night until 8 o'clock the train
was two hours behind time

I got into New York at 4 o'clock
Thursday evening. Staid there till 6
then took the train pas Philadelphia
arrived there about 10 P.M. Left there
about 12 and got to Baltimore this
morning at day light took the 4 o'clock
train from there and got here a
bout 10 this morning

I have just found four Boys
here from My Regt. I shall soon
have lots of company when the
Boys of my Regt. all get back here
again. "Hellak" here comes Jim
Swan an others are of my com-
pany I guess theyll all get here
afters a little. Wish they would
all come, wouldnt we have gay
Old times here again?

it has stoped raining and looks
as though it would be good
weather again. Just see what
my thoughtful old Mother saw
I was coming a way with out
taking my over coat with me
I didnt think I should need it
But she had father bring it down
and I took it with me and
lucky for me that I did for
it was cold enough this morn-
ing to freeze a fellow to death
and I would have suffered with the
cold if I had not brought it
along. Will Darling I want this
to go out with the mail to night
so I shall have to hurry and finish
scribbling. I will try and write near
next time I am too tired and
sleepy to think of writing today
But I know you will want to
hear from me so it is my duty to
write to you if I dont write much
I must close now. Give my love
to Father & Mother and all of our
Brethren and sisters and except much
love and good wishes from your Husband
Adrian