Lookout Valley April 28, 1864

My dearest Lis,

I am still somewhat better than when I wrote you before but am not well by any means. Were I paid I would offer my resignation or surgeon's certificate, but the Government owes me for four months or will day after tomorrow and should I resign my pay would be held to deminify for any government property I might have in my hands until I could get settlement, which might be years before my case could be reached. If the paymaster does not come soon, I will go home on "sick leave"—get my pay on my way home and resign there if necessary.

There is nothing new here only large bodies of troops going to the front—and the arrival of Lt. Crosby and his squad of "Bummies" from Elmira. They came in today and are well.

Love and kisses for self and children.

Affectionately yours

Henry