

Elmira March 21st 1864

My Dear Wife

I now git down
to let you know that i am here in
Elmira and quite smart for me ~~and~~
Hellen they brought me here a Monday
night and yesterday Olive and Jane came
over to see me and to day they got me
apart to stay with Olive i have to
report every day Hellen the doctor has
sent on for my discharged i amazing
to have ^{my} discharged and bounty and my
back pay and Hellen if you will ~~more~~
hear you can get a good liven thair is
a privity hear that gives to all folding
wives Olive and Jane gets it every week
and you can the same and Hellen if
you will come write as soon as you get
this and if you will come i will have
a house redy for you if you can get

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money to come here with i will
 have money to pay the freight on
 the things when they get here you
 wont have to pay the freight till
 they get here now hellen if you will
 only come here we will be all right

~~for then we can take comfort~~
 and i will be to home with my
 family and i can get plenty
 of provisions and a load of wood
 and hellen if you cant get money
 to come with write and let me know
 write soon as you get this and let me
 know and dont make no excuse
~~about your duty for they cant take~~
 any thing you have got tell all the
 children that pa wants to see them
 all kiss all the children for me and a
 kiss for you ma and Olive and their
 love to you and all the children
 this from your Husband

Frank Satterson
 to his Wife Hellen Satterson

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