[On illustrated letterhead with bust portrait of General McClellan and patriotic motifs.]

## Jamestown Sept 28/62

My Sarah dear

It is with pleasure that I write to you to let you know that I am well and tough as a bear and hope you and little Romain are both well and the rest of our folks

I expect we shall start for Washington to morrow at 4 oclock in the after noon. I have been down and tried to get my likeness taken but they were so busy that I could not get mine taken but I will have it taken the first chance I get and send it back.

I have got part of my bounty money I am going to send Albert seventy five dollars to pay lathrop and when I get the rest of it I will send some to your Father

I expected to see Horace before he started for home but I was on guard and did not see him there was not any towels in the sachel when I got to Jamestown you forgot to put them in but never mind

I would like to see you all very much but it will be some time before I shall see you but if God spares our lifes I will see you again

I will write again soon as [I can] I am on guard to day or I would write more Good Bye

This from your Marion