

Timber Hills Apr 9th / 65-

My dear husband

I received your letter written at Memphis, and was very glad to hear from you.

I hope when you arrive at your place of destination you will receive the letters that I have written you. I have answered all that you have written me. I know it would give you great pleasure to hear from your family.

We are all well as usual or as can be expected under the present circumstances. Mary and her family have gone to the Prairie to stay a few days, I should have

gone with her but my cow
is not very well. She has
got the hollow horn; not very
badly however. I got your
photographs yesterday and my
hog too. Jo brought them
down and took the folks
up. Your horse is so fat
that I hardly knew her
when they brought her down.
Father says your eye is
looking very well indeed.
Father Bruni has gone to
Cowa I expect by this time
I expected ^{them} down last week
but they did not come so.
I suppose they have gone.
I am sorry that they did
not for I wanted to get
Sister Sarah to stay with
me this summer. I do
not know who I shall get
to stay with me now.

I'll manage to get along.
Can't you come home in
July and see our boy.
I enjoy myself very well
indeed much better than
I expected I should. So you
need have no anxiety nor
fear on my account.
Laura is very mischievous
and is quite well except
a cold occasionally.
She often speaks of you.
I am glad that you get
along so well and are still
determined to live a Christian.
I never spend a day without
thinking of you. I shall
be glad if she was closed
as soon as is predicted
at present. I suppose
you have heard before
this time that Lee and his
whole army have been

captured. That is glorious
news. I wish they would
take the whole rebel army
at Richmond the strong
rebel hold has been taken
at last. And a few more
such and rebellions will
die a natural death.

I will write to James
as soon as I can and
send him a photograph.
Father's folks are all
well. Write very soon
and often to your loving
wife and child.

Eliza

Expense had pencil
and paper are both gone
all