Winchester, June 17th 1861

My Dear Brothers,

I write from Falmouth on the 17th, Wednesday I arrived here yesterday and am all well, safe & sound. I do not know when we will leave here but expect we will remain here some time but do not know. The Rockbridge Company came here this morning except that Pendleton which will come sometime all were glad to see us as soon as they heard. The Company made here some quarters were filled full of their men every one asking a thousand questions and giving the answers.

There are about 3000 men here. 4 more are on their way. They are coming from Harper's Ferry as fast as they can. It will be very important soon. I know the men as fast as they leave being away.
as much as they are not what they cannot bring they are ordered to know, the Johnson will be here this evening. He came of concentration is not known but the Troops have from there think it is because the Federal Troops will not attack us as long as we have troops here. There are now three 35,000 were doing nothing whom they wished to send over to the Rockbridge Company. Another wished with the enemy Troops leave this evening for the West.

The Federal Troops came to Romney the County Seat of Hampshire in order to cut off the supplies from Berkeley's Ferry which come from here.

As we were coming here some more came galloping up to the wagons saying that the Federal Troops were about 2 miles joined us at Sisson's opened a fire which was sent to him.