

Saratoga Springs April 2 1863

Dear friend Seth
I now seat my self to answer
your kind and welcome letter
which I ~~received~~ received to day I it found
me well and I hope this few lines
will find you the same ~~to~~
I it snows to day here I was in
hope that it wouldnt snow
any more I saw Johnny Freeman
the other day and he rest that
all the folks was well then
well Seth I received at mother
~~from~~ yesterday for me to
get ready to go to ~~minerals~~
I think that I will go ~~be~~ be fore
long O Seth how I wish I could
see you be fore I go but I
~~don't~~ dont suppose that I cant
for you cant come home

Jahu bore tride to make
a disturbance between
you and I but I gess that
he cant make it out yet a
while he will haf to wate
till he grows older then
he is now.

Seth I was glad to get a
lock of your hair it looks
very matured I gess that
that woman fooled out that
lock of hair that you
sent me I hope that she did
ent Seth I didnt write
a bout my picture so that
you wold eepe it for I
didnt cose a sent a bout it
now way or nother

I hope that the ware will
soon be al over so all of
the poor solgers can come home

Wonce more and see all of
there folks wonce more

Well reth I ~~supose~~ suppose
that you belived sum
of them sooreys that
you heerd but if I could
could see you I would
telyou how things went

my pen is good my ink
is fail my love to shall
never fail

I cant think of eney
more at present write as soone
as you get this

here is my heart I le give
you to part so good by

Dear
this from Rosette Baker
to Seth hill