

Write as today but I must
close your writing & know
are in a safe place & we shall
stay here probably all summer
bridgeport is well fortified there
is two forts a building & they have
cannon on the top of the fort pointed
towards the bridge, the bridge is 85 feet
long over the river, there is lot of
infantry here with cannon
Father I expect you will get the letter
I wrote the 30. of May & I sent \$1.
dollars by express, we will be
paid again by the first of July,
the boys have good times here since
they were paid drink beer pay
ten cents a glass, by pies & cakes
they spend a great deal of money
but I have spent only 35. cents
and boat stamps with, I am bound
to pay my debts, but the boys
will ^{say} to me what is the use
of paying ^{debts} here in the army
I am going to spend my money