

December the. 18. 1864

Dear Parents,

I take my pen in hand to inform
you that ^{our} well as usual & I hope these
few lines will find you all well
we have got through on this March
with out any trouble but I could not
start it to March I marched the
first three days & then I was so lame
that I could not hardly go so I fell
behind with the train & they could
not carry me nor my knapsack. So
they went on & I picked me up a
Mule & put on my blankets on him
got on & com. up with the Regiment & I kept
the mule till I got thru all late
we are with in five miles of ~~the~~
~~the~~ Savannah near the Atlantic
Oshion I guess we will soon be in to
Savannah there has been some hard
firing for a week but we do not hear
much now I hope we will