

Lebinon Mo Feb the 9
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Dear Wife

[hole] as I did not have
[hole]any thing to do this
[hole] evening I thought
[hole] that I would write
[hole] you a few lines
[hole]although I only
wrote to you three or four days
ago I am tolarbly well I have got
a bad cold but that is a common
thing here thare is a comciderble
stir here at [hole]easant time
the boys are [hole] corn for a
march the pr[hole]ct is that we
wont stay here more than two
or three Days I expect that we will
go out to see old price we are
orderd to be ready to start at one
hours notice thare is only three
[faded] alowed to draw provisions
for the whole Regs

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and 3 to Draw [hole] [faded]
have packed up a [hole] the only
what we will wear [hole] makes
our load as light as [hole] col
Dodge's Brigade con[hole] [faded]
9 Iowa 24 Mo 3[hole]
Col Dodge is act[hole]
I guess that we [hole]le
fight before long thare is here
now about 15 thousand all told
general Segal is here and general
Leustis[?] I expect that gen Popes
Division is [hole] off thare
will be enoug[hole] to give
old price chan[hole] we have a
good eal of Artillery along which
I will give the traitors hankins
Woodses Cavdry is asigned to
the 4 Iowa I expect that when
we leave here we will [faded]
a force march I expect that we will
have to travel about 25 miles per Day

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I guess that I have writen all
the war knews so I will have to
fill up with Something else
a good many of the boys that we
left at Rolla[stain] road to
[faded]I dont know wheather
Davis is a coming or not but I
guess not his a[stain]le must be
prety bad I thought that it was
about well when we left Rolla
Some one thare wrote that we was
getting Deeper [hole] deeper in S[faded]
every Day [hole]dont think that
is so I don[hole] that thare
half of the S[hole] in this co
that thare was 4 months ago
but Some people is writing
something that they have no
business all the time thare
cant be nothing done but some
one has to stick in his shovel

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I guess that I havewritten about
all of the knews what I have not
wrote S[faded] of the other[faded] thare
is three or four of them [faded]
I may not write a gain until
we whip old Price or else he whips
as wich I think he cant do the
[faded and stained]
[faded and stianed] Snow has all [faded]
[faded] and it is drying of a
Conciderble [stain] Mary Direct you[faded]
leters to Rolla [faded]
they will [stain] follow us up [faded]
I guess that I have writen enough for
The [faded] we [faded] [hole] got you pay
[faded]
Wheather we wi[hole]ave any chance
to Send it home without paying
the Postage no more this time
From GB Davis To. C Davis
Write as often as you can
And write great long letters GB Davis