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## Letter, 1861 March 14, Oscar D. Ladley to Mother [Catherine Ladley]

Oscar D. Ladley

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Dear Mother

We landed here this evening just at sunset on the Illinois side, as soon as I furnish this letter we are going over to town. We have had a rough day, we have had the worst river for about 50 miles that ever I beheld, what I mean by that is short bends and snags &c. Day before yesterday we laid up at Lanesport Ind. it is a very fine city larger than Dayton or Columbus, just look at the map and see where we have been & where we are going. we expected to be in Memphis in about two weeks but we have been eight days running from Memphis to this place. I should like very much to hear from you, as I have not heard from you since I left. My love to all write to Memphis Yours Truly O D Lacey