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Brooks Station Va
April 14th, 63

Dear Mother & Sisters,

We are about
to move, I don't know where.
The orders are to march in the
morning, Each man carries 5
days rations and Officers
carry 8 days rations with their servants
to help, Some say we are going to
Kelley's ford on the Rappahannock.

The men carry one pr of drawers, one pr
of socks, & one shirt. Their extra
clothing is put in the hands of
the Quarter Master to be stored somewhere.

Enclosed you will find \$30. the
half of what I have, this, will
be sufficient for me. The Govt owes
me three months wages, which is over
\$300.00, but we don't know when we
we will get it now.

He received a general order from Gen Hancock
congratulating us on our appearance before
the President, and says we are second

to now & hope we will continue.
as. Howard has only one arm
he lost his right arm at Williamsburg.
And made this remark to Gen. Kearney
at the time that they should
"buy their gloves together", as Kearney
had lost his left arm in Mexico.

You can write as usual and direct
the same. but leave off the Brooks
Station & put on Washington D.C.
Will I will close, when I get
a chance I will let you know
where we are.

write soon

And Believe me
affectionately

Oscar.
P.S. I will send \$40. ^{or} instead
of \$30. ^{or} I can spare it.

Mrs. D. F. Ladley,
Yellow Springs,
Green Co.,
Ohio.

