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Annapolis Md. May 3/63 Drarest Frank To morrow I go to my Might I am young on the 6 oclock train in The morning was Aushington I am no good health. Hope you have improved since your last. Was Exchange Apl. 26 The War Depart ment take he hereb scarcely of resigna trons Sent in lotte But the officers who have done so, in part, are ordered to join their Commands. They order is date frag 2. Dow not Sent in any resignation yet, & Shall not now, Think I am boarding when I wrote to you when I first land-Ed e.e. Mar Shipley's having Changed from Mrs Murdock's on Greene St. my health has been spechded Luce here - Fust Sunday I got a tethe from Bro Jacob all well

Ships and Co, have oflared a judgment people love that man! Sidear against Jacob & 9 for hearly 3000 dols. and good hum - huy he rest in Jence! Frank I hope you They Cant brove That take what we Call our own Do you! I can hake a living for you & I, I'm Sure & we wont think rand of me for my well commence as soon as I get pust to you. Con don't know out of the erry - What Do you think how which I've though, about of me gony to mexico! I canger, et lotte: but a rope to alone or a place all I have to do is to all my sins.
apply to the minister of Juarez as f you receive this Swant washington & re well give me a you to write as soon as you can place higher in rank than I now I Expect to be out Love. Thermany an, in The Mexican Republican army is coming to many lund army- How would you like to be The 6th Corps (My Corps) is hear a hux com! I'll me what you Danville gon will get a letter think about it I don't want from me when I arrive my you to fear, that I'll go, Because, advice to you about "That tooth" If I do, your Consent I want of yours is, to griffix a atagod first, aint you glad the even deulists as soon as possible is over! are not we a rappy I don't want you to loose your teeth- Two has hum fix so lately. people: to Day Xuncolu reaches his last home. at Home: But There is a good durlist here. Drad. You the American Dr Matter

I've not heard our word from George Why Died it he write to me I think The mails are very Slow - I or wrote Leveral to for & how out got our Time will be up in October When you see he I'll lett you somethings about my Experient in the Capital of maryland here Ou in particular Thinks I'm a good fellow - But don't you think The doct throw her as well as you do? HE have gay time here I'll tell you all when I see you Hell I hope you are well & in good spirits I will Close hoping you may be life be long-that you may &c &c
Excuse my folly from your amunt J.S. a.

May 3, 1865

Annapolis Md. May 3/65

Dearest Frank

Tomorrow I go to my Regt. I am going on the 6 o'clock train in the morning via Washington. I am in good health. Hope you have improved since your last. Was exchanged Apl 26. The War Department take no heed scarcely of resignations sent in ______. But the officers who have done so, in part, are ordered to join their Commands. My order is dated May 2. I've not sent in any resignation yet & shall not now. I think I am boarding where I first landed, i.e. Mr. Shipley's having changed from Mrs. Murdock's on Greene St.

My health has been splendid since here. Last Sunday I got a letter from Bro Jacob. All well. Ships and Co. have obtained a judgment against Jacob & I for nearly 3000 dollars. They can't more than take what we call our own? Do you? I can make a living for you & I, I'm sure & we will commence as soon as I get out of the army. What do you think of me going to Mexico? I can get a place -- all I have to do is to apply to the Minister of Juarez at Washington & he will give me a place higher in rank than I now am, in the Mexican Republican army. How would you like to be a Mexican? Tell me what you think about it. I don't want you to fear that I'll go because if I do, your consent I would want first.

Ain't you glad to hear the war is over? Are not we a happy people? Today, Lincoln reaches his last home. At Home! But Dead. How the American people love that man. Great and good man, may he rest in peace.

Frank I hope you won't think hard of me for my past to you. You don't know how much I've thought about it lately, but I hope to atone for all my sins.

If you receive this, I want you to write as soon as you can. I expect to be out soon. Sherman's army is coming to Maryland. The 6th Corps (my corps) is near Danville. You will get a letter from me when I arrive. My advice to you about "that tooth" of yours is to get it fixed at a good dentist's as soon as possible. I don't want you to lose your teeth. I've had mine fixed lately. There is a good dentist here. Dr. Walton.

I've not heard any word from George. Why didn't he write to me. I think the mails are very slow. I've wrote several to you & have only got one which I answered. My time will be up in October. When you see me, I'll tell you some things about my experience in this capital of Maryland.

There are some fine ladies here, One in particular thinks I am a good fellow. But don't you think she don't know me as well as you do? We have gay times here. I'll tell you all when I see you.

Well I hope you are well & in good spirits. I will close hoping you may be happy in this world -- enjoy life -- life be long -- that you may be etc., etc.

Excuse my folly

From your amant

T.S.A.