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My Dear Wife

I may not be able to leave here until next week, I did not when I left you expect to be detained so long here, but I find that it takes a long time to do a little business in this City. I have no cause to complain so far, as the [prospect] is that I shall succeed in the claim I have against the Government, and shall probably succeed in getting the money. The weather is delightful here, the apricot and peach trees in full blossom, and the grass about the Capitol as green as it is [unclear] in May. Yesterday I took a sail down the Potomac River, and had a [fine view] of the [House] [unclear] and [unclear] by Washington. The journey on the river was very fine and I enjoyed the trip very much, I may probably be able to leave in Saturday but you must not be disappointed if you do not see me until next week. W. [Ening] is working with me in the claim I am trying to collect, and I have no [proposed altercation] with any one in the matter. Love to all

Your Aff husband

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