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Dear wife as Capt Hancock is
going home I will write you
a few lines to let you know that I
and the boys are well and I hope
this will find you the same I am
yet at Elizabeth town and I am getting
along first rate I have been looking
for a letter for several days and
to day I got one written on the 12th
of November but it was good mother
I wish all those old letters that you
have written would come for they do
me good and to get the news that
you are all well now I want you
to write very often and do not wait
to hear from me John & Joseph are
well and send their love to you
and the children mother I have
no spare time to write as Capt Hancock
said I did not know he was going
until about ten minutes ago
I am learning home as best as
I can keep up a good heart I
suppose that day in there you
must give the children lots of kisses
for me and I send you a hundred
or more I will write again
in a couple of days and then I will
do better the payment I hear is
coming in a few days I hope
so Good by

Your Husband
Capt Joshua

Mrs R. P. Fosha

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