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{Envelope:}

{Postmark:} East Saginaw, Michigan, Apr 15 1863

D. D. Keeler, Sergeant Major

23rd Regiment Michigan Volunteer Infantry

Bowling Green, KY

{Note on side:} Deck – Keep your nose clean. S.K.

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Flint {MI}, April 6th 1863

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Your family are well now; little Franky calls me her ba. She will not go to anyone but me when I am around.

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You complain of not having any letters from home. I'll tell you my excuse is this: I am very busy on the road and Sundays is all of the time that I have to write and thus sometimes I am busier than any other time. Yesterday was Sunday and I had to make a round trip over the road, so I did not have time. So I told Father & Sarah to write. I don't know whether they did or not. If they did all OK, and if not this will be in time. I don't know of any news; there has nothing transpired within my notice worthy of mention. My business keeps me away from town all day

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and at night I want to be with my family like any honest man.

Lucy is in Saginaw *{M}* yet and so am I, but will be in Flint day after tomorrow. I change trains again, take my own with my engine, which has been in the shop repairing, will be out tomorrow.

We have the most changes in the weather that ever was known. Yesterday was as pleasant as any May day you ever saw, and today it is regular March snow blows and is cold like winter. It is so all of time, no two days alike.

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