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New Orleans June 6th 1863
10-30 P.M.

My Dear Wife I write these few lines
only to say that we are all well so
far. I am disappointed that Capt Palmer
went away this morning without calling
on me this morning as I intended to
send you and Ellen the little trifles
I spoke of on my last letter by him
have only just heard that he has gone
and I am too late to send them by Express
this time, but will do so as soon as I can
I am sorry to say that Lieut S. A. Perkins
whose picture you have I consider him as
one of the most gallant officers we ever had
he was killed in a skirmish near Clinton
I also hear that Major Lewis of the 12th
Conn is dead. I have again heard from the 24th
all are well, there has been no fighting at
Port Hudson since the first fight all is
being done by the Artillery and slowly
at that but with safety to the men

I have not heard from the Du
since he went up save through Father
Laurandis who saw him at Baton
Rouge. it is getting late and I must
close. I am waiting anxiously for
news from at the same time I fear
to hear it. Good bye. God bless you
all. Capt O'Brien is in town and
has been for the last week. he is brave
and hearty. Capt Healy has been sick
but is better. Capt Sheridan is a little
down with the shingles but not danger-
ous. all others are well. not many
of the men sick now dangerous.

Give my love to Ellen. My respects
to all. Enquiring friends. I am almost
afraid to say to you to kiss the babies
for me. But good bye and God
bless you all.
Your loving husband
Thos W. Chace