

Dr. Wm. L. Garrison  
No. 25  
I enclose the best with luggage of your  
note. I will send me with my love from  
you.

Newport News Va. 8 P.M. Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>

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22<sup>d</sup>. I sent you a letter yesterday  
saying I received the box in good  
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9th 9 AM Tents all struck & our big city looks desolate. I guess we shall get on the boat sometime to-day The contrabands are here picking up everything we leave. We are pretty generous of old clothes tents pots dippers & thousands of things of use to them the boys are having some fun with the blacks they have to bear a good deal of insult

They have been chasing one homely looking fellow but he will out run them

Oh; What knap sacks I am afraid we shall sink the boat with luggage if you could see me with my load you would laugh.

Direct to Washington