

Easton April 21. 1863

Dear Daughter

Notwithstanding it has  
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a letter I will again thinking you  
will be glad even to receive a note from  
home, it has been a long time since  
I received a letter from you. your  
mother got the two last by my Mr B.  
and Mr (S) away a few days past,  
she is now answering them and  
will give you all the news, as I  
am not very good at detail will  
leave it to her and this goes  
we are having quite a quiet time  
nothing from the Yankees for some  
time, as I am sure is with us and  
as lively as usual, we have had  
a long but spring raining <sup>& not</sup> nearly half  
the week, should have finished ~~the~~  
planting corn to day but it is raining  
so early. The family are all well  
and this I am a little sure  
to know what it is in  
likely to be

you know I have not much curiosity -  
and can keep a secret well, so -  
you must tell me and if you wish  
it must tell even your mother,  
Petroburg is not to furnish my son in  
Law too is it - if such should be the  
prospect - I fear my Darling Daughter  
will not graduate in the time I have  
given her  
sincerely your Father  
E. Brown

**Broun, Edwin. Edwin Broun to Bettie Broun, Petersburg VA,  
April 21, 1863.**

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Sincerely Your Father E Broun

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**Notes:**

- [Words in brackets = unclear transcription]

1. Page 2 very difficult to read.