

Ans.

Brandy Station Apr. 23. 53
Mr Hodsdon

Sir I hear that you
are the Soldiers friend I therefore
will state the case as it is I came
out here the 24 of Aug last to help
put down the rebellion & with the
expectation of receiving the aid
money for my family but they
never have received a copper yet
I have a wife & four children the
oldest at home is ten years old
my family is in want of it
if you ^{will} write to the select men
of the town & secure it I will
pay you we expect to move to
the front in a few days my family
resides in the town of Bradford
state of Me Yours in haste
Elisha Simpson