

Washington Asylum Hospital - March 22, 1886
 My - Dear Mother I write you
 these few lines to let you
 know how I am getting along I have
 been very sick all of this month
 and I am not getting any better I
 cannot eat any thing and I do not
 know if I will ever get any better
 I do not think it is necessary for you
 to come down here as you could
 not help me any and I would only
 be incurring unnecessary expense
 my Discharge papers are at the
 office of John L. Smiths get