

Transcript of letter from James Kelley to his wife dated February 8, 1864  
Transcribed by Mary Z. Rose 11/15/2017

[Flap attached to letter]

Directions  
James Kelley  
Camp Butler  
7<sup>th</sup> Ill. Volunteers  
Mounted Infantry

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Dear

Wife we are hear [here] in Camp. I have not been mustered yet nor signed the pay roll but we are expecting to every day and then we get our Bounty & have guard put over us & we have no chance of writing or sending any money until we get to our regiment. I will then send you a certificate for the City Bounty also \$40 of this other Bounty. I will have to keep a little for myself for I don't know what I shall have to go through before I get any more pay. When you receive this money I would like

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for you to get the deed for the place in your name & mine.

I shall send the money by express in care of John Purseyville for you. I will also send a letter at the same time so that you know that the money is coming.

When you receive this letter I would like for you to send me a few lines to let me know how you and the children are getting on. I am well & hope these few lines will find you the same. So no more at present.

From your  
Affectionate Husband  
James Kelley