

Samuel Sound

On board Ship, "Dancer"

Feb 1st 62

"Dear Aunt"

As Perry is writing to you I thought I would improve the opportunity of sending with him. But you must not expect my letter to be very long or interesting. I heard from home yesterday for the first time in three weeks. All Well! The Mail goes tomorrow and

Therefore all are writing
to the friends far away
This makes the sixth
letter that I have written
since morning

We are all well as
could be expected. My
health has never been
better than since I
enlisted. I think
Jerry enjoys himself
well. he is certainly getting
much better wages than
he would if he had
remained at home and
I think his life but
little more exposed here

than there. I find
that it is very pleasant
to have his company
although when in camp
we are not together much.

We shall undoubtedly
make some movement
against the enemy soon
perhaps before you receive
this. but I think it
will not be attended
with much danger
to us as the Gun Boats
will attack the batteries
and we will land
and take possession
as in the storming of

Starts Watterus and Clark
The weather is very mild
We shall probably attack
the Rebels upon Roanoke
Island. Our force consists
of one hundred and thirty
sail and twenty thousand
men I should be glad to
hear from you when you write
to Perry Love to all
Yours Affect
C. A. Powers

Miss Mary Johnson
Perry