had been brought up to it all their lives.
I never could obey an order worth a cent.
and now anything no matter how pleasant
as soon as it becomes a rule becomes dis-
tasteful. Of course if I do it otherwise I
should become ridiculous, but I know it
often comes with a bad grace. Yet I shall
soon get used to it. Then it will come as
easy as sliding down hill. As I told
you in my last—we expected to start for
the states by the first of January. Now
I don't know when we will start, perha-
ps in the spring perhaps never.

The authorities here think want to keep
us in the territory to speculate on. I hope
they will not try to collect as much longer.

I was enlisted to go to the states and fight
will promised it by the governor. Now they
raise the fine and dry of Texians and threaten
the southern part of the territory. When we know it is false, and that there
are seven other regiments of troops in this
territory and Arizona, more than enough
to clean out all the true Texians can here
to send this way. Aside they have some reg-

ulars I don't know how many. So much
for a lying set of office holders. Though
I don't think they will keep us here long.

Transpring. if they do there will some dream.