

Camp of 12<sup>th</sup> Regt. U. S. Vols.,  
On Capitol Hill near  
Washington D. C.  
Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> 1862

Sunday Evening -

My Dear Mary:

I was in hopes that I should hear from you before this time, still I hardly know how I could, unless you wrote sooner than I asked you to. I mailed a letter to you Friday morning telling you briefly what had happened to us up to that time. Our Regt. remained at the soldiers retreat till noon Friday when we moved to our present camp. We got here about two o'clock P.M. & the boys went to work pitching their tents. They were only the small shelter tents, each large enough to hold two men.

Before they were fairly pitched it began to rain & they passed a very uncomfortable night of it as the tents are so short that those who sleep in them get wet either at one end or the other.

But we had better luck yesterday, for we got a supply of the A tents & the men feel pleased at the change. I have a good sized tent to myself. Nelson Rogers sleeps with me & takes care of me generally & particularly -