

Camp Griffin &c
Salary by Monthly
July 11th 1862

Dear Sister Clara

As I have written a long
letter to Father I think I will just notice you a little
for you seem to remember us pretty well in this way
so at this time just 2 feet 2 in the morning I take
my pen to describe you any well wonder what I am up to at
this time of night. Well I am watching with one of my
tent mates Ephraim D. Dutton of Walden who is sick
with a fever, He was unwell at Camp Advance near the
Chain Bridge & since we moved from there has not been able
to do anything being troubled with as he claimed with
lung complaints & lately has grown worse & 5 or 6 days ago
was taken with a sort of Dysentery & Fever & now is clear down
but his fever is light & he is not in danger now. He has had
watchers now 5 nights, but we have had seven detailed for
another 7 ^{another 7 tent mates} nights
that purposed on by Charles Cady & I have watched a night
each, there is not much to do only to give him tea & lemonade
& get him up 2 or 3 times in the night. He is going to be
taken to the hospital sometime this AM. I although I am
willing to take care of a sick tent mate, yet I am glad he is
going for it is better for him & us too, here he is out of the
noise & is not exposed to the trouble that we must & nec-