

In Camp near Harper's Ferry Sept 6, 67

Dear Maria

I will now at my first opportunity write you a few lines I can't tell how long it is since I last wrote but much has transpired since but I can tell you but little, we were very unexpectedly ordered to pack up and get ready to leave last Tuesday night at 9 o'clock and at 10 we were on the march we came away in quite a hurry but the reasons for so doing I do not fully understand I lost a good share of my bedding & Rubber Suit with many other things belonging to Lieut's & myself, also quite a number of guns and equipments Lieut's Devote & Sherman with Sgts Halbert & Smith & 10 Privates were left behind through some neglect or something else in the Hospital and no doubt are prisoners among them is Chas. Walker of Scranton the rest are from other towns I am left alone with the Co. Every thing was burned that was left and that was no small amount The