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Dear Wife

I will now attempt to write you a few lines and inform you of our safe arrival at this place. I would have written before and have commenced once before but other duties and the want of a suitable place to do it I have let it go till now. We got here Sunday night and went into ^{divine} camp about 2 miles from the city. ~~the~~ ~~camp~~ ~~was~~ ~~very~~ ~~much~~ tired and worn out and things looked as if we were a going to have a good nights rest but we had hardly got to sleep when it commenced raining and there was no more rest for us that night as we were obliged to keep