

Camp Butler, Newport News
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 Dear Laura:

I was very much surprised to hear of your being in Boston, but if you can get any help for your deafness I shall be glad that you went - I have felt considerable anxiety in regard to the condition of your face and ears since I have been here. Mary writes me that your neuralgia was relieved by the loss of that last tooth - I am glad that it is so - I hope that you will be able to be under the Doctor's care long enough to make the improvement in your hearing permanent. Mary writes that they are all well but she is rather lonesome - There is nothing new in Bradford. She will probably write you more of things at home than I can tell you -

Here we are living about after the