

Head Quarters 12th Regt. W. V. M.
Camp Vermont, Near Alexandria ^{Va.}
Nov. 12th 1862

My Dear Wife:

Your letter of Sunday
the 9th was duly rec'd. I am glad to
hear of your continued good health &
the improvement of Laura & Ruth.

You must not work too hard for
I want you to be in good health &
strength to endure the journey and here
should you be called here. We cannot
tell whether we are to stay or not -
We are making preparations about
~~stopping~~ & we are talking of leaving our
wives here. If we stay here you will
certainly come. We are getting timber
together to build huts - I shall have
me a very comfortable house - that is
warm & dry - but it will be very
small & if you come, you must expect
to put up with a great deal of discomfort