

Head Qu. 12<sup>th</sup> Regt. W. V. M.  
Wolf Run Shoals Va.  
April 12<sup>th</sup> 1863 -

Dear Susan:

We have had three very pleasant days in camp & the ladies have enjoyed themselves finely - Mary, Mrs. Kempson, & Dr. Nichols' Wife of the 13<sup>th</sup> - Yesterday they all attended Guard Mounting, Picket Guard Mounting, rode down to see the battery practice, & then out to see our Regt. drill. This morning was quite as pleasant as ever. Mrs. Nichols was just getting ready to go down to the 13<sup>th</sup> about nine miles below here when the order came for us to be prepared to move - the whole brigade - The ladies of course thought we should have a fight at once - They all cried of course. Arrangements were made to take them to the Station & fortunately they found a train just ready to start for Alexandria - They took the cars & I hope are now comfortable at the Scott house in Alex. - The Adjt. - Kempson went down to see them off - They will probably go into Washington tomorrow.