

Camp Advance Oct 8th 1861

My good darling wife Your
good long letter of 9 pages or
more came last night. I told
Frank about Rachel and he
felt real bad, she was a good
woman all things considered
I think. Your good letter came
in a good time. I was sent
down to the City yesterday and
before I got back I got caught
in an awful hard shower, and
if it had not been for Col.
Stannard, who was with me,
I should have got perfectly
soaked. He had an oil cloth
coat with him (we were both
horse back) and insisted on my
putting on the coat and he
got wet to the skin. as it
was I got my legs and feet
wet and to day I feel a
little odd. Col. Stannard is
a "Christian", I believe if he does