

Camp Washburn Aug 22nd 1862
My Darling wife

Yours of yesterday was received last night - I am very sorry to hear Katie is so sick - I got an appointment yesterday as acting Major for the 10th - probably I shall not get a commission (if I get one at all) until next week some time - Col Jewett is going home Saturday so you see I am not going to be able to see you until about next Wednesday as I shall be left in charge of the Regt., which will be quite a feather in my cap if I do it well - I stand first rate now and am anxious to keep up my reputation if possible and I know you will enjoy my honors with me, and assist me all you can - You must be careful and not let Katie's sickness worry you - they will take good care of her -

tell her I am sorry and will come and see her just as soon as I possibly can with safety to myself - If she should be dangerous let me know at once -

I will write you again Sunday - I wish you would just drop me a line every day for I wish very much to know every day how you all are - be good and brave - I am doing well now -

as ever yours
William