

Camp in the field about two miles
beyond Warrenton Junction on the R.R.

Oct 31st 1863

My Darling wife

Again we have made a
grand advance towards the Rappahannock.
Yesterday we broke camp at Battlets
and came down here the cars were
running this side of Battlets, and I
suppose we are sent on before to clear
off the old track, and prepare and guard
the new - we have two hundred men
at work on the road from our Regt.

Most of the "Rebs" are on the other side
of the river, all is quiet along our lines.
It is raining to day and mud will
be awful by tomorrow, and probably we
shall not advance much farther, this fall.
I expect however the plan is to winter on
the Rappahannock which is about eight miles
from here - some think the enemy will give
us battle on the river, but I dont believe
they will - I was very glad to hear from
Delia, but it would not be prudent for