

Camp Baxter July 21. /61

My dear wife.

Its late & I cant  
stop to write very much -

But I do love you immensely.  
We had quite a time last night.  
One man was shot dead. The boys  
attempted to tear down the sutlers  
shop in camp & a guard inside  
shot at them - & killed one. It  
caused a terrible excitement.

My Co. was the first on the  
ground to quell the riot, altho  
they all sympathized with the  
rioters. Col. Heyde was away

& I was in command. I got out  
two Cos & doubled all the guard.  
so that all was soon quiet.

but they now swear to kill  
Col. Heyde & the man who shot.  
The Col. is away to night & left  
me in command. We have  
got all ready for anything  
but anticipate no trouble to night.  
Our sidess make more excite-  
ment than all else. they talk