

Columbia College Hospital  
Washington D.C.  
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My Own Darling Wife

I rec'd a letter fr  
you to day that came via Ft. Monroe  
Was delighted to hear from you as I had  
not heard for several days. I came up to  
this Hospital last Friday upon solicitation  
of my friend Dr. Connor U.S.A. in  
charge here. It is a most charming  
place. I stop in the Doctors qrs, & have  
everything to make it pleasant for me -  
There are several young surgeons here  
& we have jolly times - There are about  
two thousand wounded men here. It  
is a very healthy locality. I began to get  
well the day I came here & feel as well as  
ever almost now. I want to join my  
reg't to-morrow & may. But the doctor  
advises strongly agst it yet. But they  
are going up into Maryland & I am  
very anxious to go along, There will be  
merry times there this week. I think  
the Rebs are caught at last - The  
troops are in the best of spirits now  
that Gen. McClellan is in Command