

Camp Near Hanover Station
July 22nd 1868

My Darling Wife

I rec'd yr letter
with Fute's yesterday - How
Curious love affairs work -
Tell Fute that there is
nothing like the army to
make a man of one - & that
Aurthur will come out all
right and their love scratching
will turn into love fattings
& they will both be all the
better for their troubles -
And to apply to Alfred as
a parent & me as a brother
experienced in all love matters
& ~~will~~ will try to carry her
through safely - We moved
to this Camp Tuesday. That
night it rained & had ever
since & we are well in the
mud. The men are busy