

Camp at the Cross Roads near, D. C. 22
Friday August 11th 1862

My Dear Friend

I am to come beneath this name of a friendly
note to wish you a few lines upon a particular purpose
to inform you of our arrival yesterday at this place in a
likely condition the next appearance of our men in
that position among us is a bad lot we have about
20 of our Regiment in the Hospital of some that is under
nearly for duty in strength present is about 1000 men
we joined Gen. Scott's Brigade about 6 days ago at Germantown
I am of course has been recruited by Gen. Washington
our destination from this place is altogether uncertain
as the movements of the Enemy are various they have
appeared three or four times at the Capital of Baltimore
but never came up the Pass Yesterday it was more
expected we should March towards Ford's Bluff but by some
dispatcher last night it is now supposed we shall
March back to the neighbourhood of the Capital

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