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Camp Colby Co. I.

Concord Aug 18th 1862

Dear Mother

I have just recd
yours of the 13th and as I have
a few spare moments I just now
will write a few lines and let
you know how and where
I am I will commence
back to the time I started
from Home I arrived safe in
K. at 3 P.M. and found nearly all
of my friends at the Depot
in waiting for me, beside
two bouquets. Started the next
morning for Concord and came
here into Camp on ~~the~~ Wednesday.
The first 2^d nights there was
no blankets and the rest of the
boys suffered some from cold
but Sprague & myself were

invited by the Major
to stop in his Tent
as he was going to be away
so we slept as snugly as ever
We have not been organised
yet there is so much to do
that is the non commissioned
officers have not been appointed
I have acted as Clerk thus far
and have been writing every
movement Sprague was
detached the next morning
to work in the Quartermasters
department It is not
certain ~~not~~ now when
we shall go but expect when
we do to go to Washington
I never have felt better than
since I have been in camp
life we live well but coarse
I shall have to stop now will write
again soon As ever your effect son
Chas. W.

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