

But there is merry news that many there. I don't
know where Charles Field is. I have not heard any thing
a long time I presume he is a Prisoner. Our
Regt. lost a good many wounded & prisoners after
Battle of Gettysburg. there was only 14 or 15 killed out
of the whole Regt. after they was taken Prisoners
Col. Root got promotion of the Rebs. to take
what there was there of the 94th & go & take care
of our wounded & bury the dead, they worked at
two or 3 days. Our Boys got lots of things of
the Rebs. Mulligan of my Co. has got over 200
dollars of Reb money. besides others have got
a good deal. I would like to know how there
some of the Boys got their pockets full of matches
& revolvers & they found some gran Books too
Will I hear from Stanton as much as I can at
present write as often as you can. Adrian

Fayette Furman is sure he paid me
50 cents for that. But Mike Kelly is not
sure I don't know where he is

Erast Whake. is in Georgetown he wants
to have the Genl send for him. he is
in Prison I suppose I guess he want
want to shuddle a gain

All Date & all the rest of the
talks not to be backward about writing

X
Adrian F.

Rappahannock Station

August 13th 1863

Dear Mother I got back to the Regt. last
Saturday night. We left Alexandria in the morning
& got here a little after dark. I found a good many
of the Boys left here used to belong to the Old 105th
more of them than I expected there was. Pect &
Wm. Davis, Sam. Williams, Wm. Chapman, Capt
Childs are all here. Wm. Byron Steels was
sick & he stay here to the Lieutenant Camp
the Boss thought that Smithwick was wounded
but he was not he came out all right. Captus
Childs was not taken Prisoner as Ed. Booth told
you can't believe much that he tells. Alonzo Mosier
has been transferred to the 5th Maine Battery he has not
been seen since the battle. the Boys are all tough &
hardy. We have the largest company in the Regt. &
the best officers too. I think, Capt. Pugas, & Lieut
Massey, are sick so they are not with us now,
but Lieut Miller is here with us. Edwin Thompson
is acting orderly he is all the Sergt. there is here
now. George True is in the Hospital. John Scobin
has shuddled. George Williams is a Prisoner &
you to Richmond. Wm. Thompson is discharged
Pect & Malcolm McIntyre are Prisoners & so is
Bogus Wm. Mulligan is here with the Company

Col. Root is not with us. He is at Annapolis in command
of the Paroll Camp. The Major thinks he will get us there to
guard Paroll Prisoners. (I hope he will), he is a 'top' tuffian
& looks for the interest of his men, more than any other
Col. that we ever had. Well Mathews men are encamped
now within 30 rods of where we were a year ago ^{the last of this}
month. & the Rbs men shelled us for 3 days all
the time. But I never thought that we ever would camp
here in a year from that time. I think it is warmer this
summer than it was last. But I stand the warm weather
first rate. I am as tough as a mule this summer.
My shingles don't trouble me. But a little not half
as much as I thought it would. We are expecting
every day to get our pay. The pay master has paid
off part of our Brigade. Every thing looks as natural as
can be around here. I passed our old camp
ground at "Clouds Mills" & at "Cattlet Station"
they all looked as natural as could be only
there was no tents there. We have got a first rate
Chaplain now a better one than Bye Russell ever
was here. He sees to all our souls as regular as the
day comes, & preaches every chance he can get.
Old Pacts Chamberlain & Doc Brown are here yet.
But we don't know much use for them this sum-
mer for there isn't hardly any of our Boys sick.
Well it is about noon & I shall have to go & Cook
some dinner. (Would you like a mess of
Beans cooked in a quart cup & if you do call in &

Well I have been to dinner. I hailed my Beans
untill they were soft & then put them into a spider
& fried them they were first rate too. We have just
been drawing rations. We are supposed to have 3 days
rations on hand all the time. so if an order should
be come to march we would be all ready to go
at a moments notice. our division has been a
cross the river ever since the Cavalry fight untill
last Saturday then they came back. We have to
furnish pickets now every day to go across the
River it will be my turn (I guess to) march to go.
I belong to the First Brigade, Second Division. First
Army Corps. if you know what Division & Corps
I am in you can tell exactly what where I am
by reading the Papers. We had a hard storm of
rain last night & the wind blew & I had our
tent down & we came near getting wet. I went
with Peet & Wm. Davis just as usual. I had a
letter from Mate. The other day mailed the 3^d of Aug.
But she didn't write much only said that Ed.
Booth had got home & that was a heart all
I saw. Dan Reed at the Convalescent Camp & had
a good long visit with him. He was hoping glad
to see me. & I never thought of seeing him there.
Cook Lemon was over in the Paroll camp. But I
didn't get a chance to go & see him. There is about
150 of the 154th in the Paroll camp. I should think
I don't know as there is quite so many as that