

has being so neglectful I will try
& do better for the future. But you
will readily see how ^{inconvenient} ~~inconvenient~~
it is for me to write same times
when we have so much to do
it is diffrnt from what it was
when I was in Philada.

Well Dear it is getting late
& I shall have to close. please
excuse this short letter & don't
think that "Ald." will ever forget
his Dear Loving, Sadie.

Yours Affection
Sadie

Pappabonack Station Va.
Sept. 18th 1863

"My Dear Sarah." you will think soon
that I have forgot your name
& guess I have been so busy in
answering your letters. But it has
not been my fault ~~for~~ I should
have answered it before if I could
have had the chance. I was un Sick
when I got your letter a week ago
yesterday. and we have had so much
work to do ever since that it has
been impossible to get any time
to think of what I wanted to write
we have been cleaning up & packing
our camp Grounds & we have got
it all done now & it looks first rate
too we started all last week at it
& now I shouldn't wonder if we

had to leave it before long. Then was
a lot of cavalry & infantry crossed the
river last night & this morning &
sent him orders to be ready to march
at a moments notice. There has been
some heavy cannonading ever this
this morning, some 20 or 25 miles
from here. I guess our boys have found
some of the "Johnny's" over there.

Sadie, you must not think that
I have forgot you, because I did not
answer your letter as soon as I had
ought to. you must think I am
forgetful. it would be impos-
sible for me to forget you or
forget to love you. But as you
say, I am a afraid I think too much
of you (as have sometimes thought to
you must not think that you are
the only one that is interested
in this matter there is an other
party as strong as yours. Sadie I

would like to write you a good
long letter & tell you lots, but I
cant this time. If I could only see
you I could tell you more than I
could write in a week. But we
cant tell so here that will be
as whether it ever will be so
but I guess the time will come
after a while. Sadie I hope you
are not afraid of me. I dont get
mad very easy, if you have heard
any thing that you want to tell
me or that you want I should
know. when you write tell what
it is you need not be afraid to
write to me & just what you please
it will all be right. I have the
greatest confidence in you & consider
you as the Dearest Friend I have
Sadie please write as soon as you
get this dont waste as long as I can
see you must pardon me Dear