

CIVIL WAR, JULY 19, 1861

Camp Cameron

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Miss L. Mearns

You must excuse
me for interrupting with your leisure
moments to read a few lines for
me. In Camp a person has not
much to do but to think of
old friends and associations
you no doubt know that I belong
to the 9th Regiment N.Y. S.M.
the same one that Miss Emma
Wood has two Brothers in I belong
to Co B. and they belong to Co A
It appears that I was one of those
that was left to help guard
the Post where we have our camp
but Doc & Charly have gone on
with the Regiment and I want
to go very bad but cant so
I have to stay here. I went
over into Virginia the other day