Court house
Camp near Stafford
Nov 20th 1862

Dear Mother I recd your letter several days a go But have had no chance to answer it untill now we came here yesterday there is an ever lasting sight of troops here some are encamped & some are on the move I dont think we shall stay here long. But where we shall go to is of course un known to us. I am still Blessed with good health all though the weather is bad & stormy. But it dont seem to affect me at all scarcely

Bradleys has gone to ~~Albany~~ Albany. I suppose to get recruits to fill up our Regt Well Ma there is no more to write as I can think of so I wont write any more this time

Adria

I had a slight touch of the Rheumatics in a spell ago But I have got over that & as sound as a 4 year old Bull roan I guess Maughy when I was at home that I could make so much hardship as a man. if any one had told me so I would have called them a liar Some think that old Brandy Side is a going to have us a hard of a trans pard before long. I dont care either the Boats as when I get out of the army I will keep out a wreck as sure. I guess. all though there is something about Soldiering that I like after all, But I dont know what it is

it is raining so I wont write any more to day But if I dont get a chance to send this to the office I will write again in the morning

Sat Nov 22d

We are here yet doing the best we can. I was sargent of the Pioneer Corps yesterday We are making a corduroy road to the landing that mean get out hard tak up sure. I had to get up in the morning at 6 o clock & call the men into line it was before Breakfast & it rained like the old Nation until 9 o clock then it cleared off & we had a pretty good day after all Lieut Col. Whiteside & Capt Whiteside Stadman & Capt