

Orange Ct Sep 16 1866

Dear Sister

On Monday morning we were ordered from our beds with the order to cook a days rations & be ready to move at day light. As soon as it was day we marched through Orange Ct & a mile beyond where we were halted in an old field, we could distinctly hear the cannon at intervals throughout the day & all expected that on the morrow another great battle would be fought on the banks of the Rappahannock but the day passed off without any special engagements only skirmishing with the enemy. In the evening we moved back to this place, what will be the next move I cannot tell, some say Gen. Sherman will go again into camp. All is now quiet & as far as I can see no prospect for a fight.

It is thought that the enemy
will be able to draw our attention here
while they are sending their
troops to Charleston & we perhaps
are very likely to cross here as
we are being urged the railroad
line can only take out whatever
supplies I am prepared for it -
I am as well as usual -

Good bye

Yed

Excuse this scratch as I have
to write on my knee