Aprill 12th/63 Camp near Stafford Corthouse

Dear Wife

I take this opertunity to let you know that I am well We have got orders to march to morow morning at 5 oc We are agowing to the raphanc river Whare We Will go from thare I canot tell unless we cross the river they say the paymaster Will be With the regiment tomorow then we will get our pay soon I have not had a letter from you in some time Write often and tell me if you had a good visit and how long you Stayed this is all this time

Frank Patterson