Murfreesboro Tenn
April 4th 1863

Dear Juliett I received your
leter of the 29th last night
and was glad to hear from
you also to hear that you have
a good time once in a while
visiting with Mat Gusta and
Mazey I wish I was there to
visit with you part of the
time at least I am sorey to
learn that Charles Carroll has
proved to be such a poor
Soldier but there is hundreds
just like him I guess I have
not riten about [redacted]
I saw Crumel out of Service
about three weeks ago his
head was shaved and he had
the leter d burnt on his
right cheek and his hands

tied behind him he belonged
to a Indiana regiment
and had deserted once and
then came back to his Regimen
and tryed to get others to
desert I think he had aught
to of ben Shot
I have not much nuse to rite
to day I am staying in camp
and have nothing to do unless
I have a mind to I somtimes
help about geting wood and
water and somtimes I go up
to the depo to help load rations
Col Tolles (our col) orderd us
out to drill the other day we
did not no what he wanted
of us at first so we went
out onto the drill grounds
and when we found that he
wanted us to dril we just
told him to show us the
papers and we would dril and
not before

the old chap did not like
it much at first he talked
to us about one our and finely
told us to do as we pleased
he had nothing to do with
us he has not bothered us any
since then I dont think we
wil be exchanged very soon
if not I wish I could go
back to Ohio to stay until
I am exchanged it is rather
lonesom staying in camp all
the time whilst the other
boys are eather out standing
picket or out so scouting
or foraging all the time most
Our Captains and Lutenants say
that we have more privilege
than thay do our parolles serve
us for a pass we can run all
over town and all around to
the other camps here whilst
thay have to get a pass sined by
the colonel

you wanted me to write to you what I thought you had better do this Summer I hardly know what to say if you are not contented without work try to get along as well as you can until I get home I dont think it is going to be long before this war will end every body feels encouraged here now and they say that it will end in less than six months I saw Mr. Williams yesterday and told him that I wanted him to write to me just how he was getting along and if he was in need of help to let me no it and I would let him have money to live on until I get home and then I will help him as well as I can I cant think what letter you are refering to that I have not answered please tell me what it was and I will try and answer it if I can I am sorry that I cant write a better letter to you but please excuse me for now writing and bad spelling in camp is a hard place to write when this is so many a talking all the time I will now bid you good by for this time

from yours husband Charley

to Juliett