

Washville Tenn

Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> 1864.

Dear Father

I have at last arrived at my destination all right, with the exception of a slight cold. I have not got fairly settled down here yet for I have not been here but one day. The Doctor did not say a word because I staid at home so long. There is seventy five men in the ward that I am in. quite a large family. The weather is warm and rainy, it does not seem as though I have seen a fair day in four months.



We are all very comfortable  
here, good beds to sleep on  
that is as good as straw  
will make, our living is  
not very high but we  
can keep alive on what  
we get to eat though probably  
we shall not get much.  
I have not heard from the  
Boys in the regt yet.

I can't think of anything  
to write that will be  
interesting for you to read  
so I will close my love  
to all write soon from

your Son  
Henry Welch

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