Every thing looks as though they were going to destroy this place & leave it. I do not know which way we are going. We are preparing things to take up railroad with so I expect we will have some of that to do which ever way we go, I believe we are to take fifty days rations with us

My health is middling good yet I hope I shall be able to stand the march I think I shall like it if I am well

I dont think I shall carry any paper with me so it may be a good whill before I write again, but you can write as often as you have a mind to. Well I must bid you all good by for this time John