Chapel Hill, September 27th, 1881

Dear Sister,

When I left there on Tuesday before I left for school, you told me to write you and I knew that I would have been here a good while before writing to you, but I will make my word a law now. I have not hardly had time before, being confined very closely to my studies. Last Monday night after I left you I took the steamboat at Coleraine about 11 o'clock in the night. I traveled all night long on the steamboat a good ways up the Chowan river and next morning about six o'clock I got off the boat at Franklin. We went up to Franklin to wait until the cars come along, but in the morning just before they got to Franklin, they ran off the railroad and was three or four hours in getting them on again, and we had to wait at Franklin until eleven o'clock in the day, then we took the cars and traveled until that evening when we arrived at Weldon. When we got at Weldon the 9th car had left because we were behind time by the train running off the track. We got to Weldon that evening about 8 o'clock and we had to wait until next morning at 11 o'clock before we could take the cars for Raleigh. That evening I stayed about Weldon and looked at the different curiosities that were there, and went down to the Soldier's camp and saw the regiment of soldier's drill, there was about one thousand in the