Rooms Western Sanitary Commission  
St Louis  
May 28th 1862  

James A Roosevelt esq  

Dear Sir  

Your favor of 23rd with invoice of shirts and drawers is recd. The boxes have arrived and the articles are very satisfactory. We are beginning to be ready for another battle. I can appreciate your anxiety. We participate in it here, but being in daily communication with the army we are better acquainted with the causes of delay. The troops sent from Curtis’s command will all reach Pittsburg Landing by today. After this Genl Halleck will be ready for action. The condition of his army is excellent and improving each day. He has good generals and good men and each have confidence in the other. The battle will only be delayed for the purpose of saving our own men which every good general will consider. Continue your confidence and prayers all will come out right. Any further contributions which you may receive in money, hold on to for the present so that purchases can be made with you of what is wanted. Contributions of goods send by regular freight lines.

Very truly yours  
James E Yeatman