

But I do not think he is near
as good an engineer as Mr. Davis.
all tho' he has been very nice to
me.

I heard the other day Mr. Mohler
had been asking about me. So
the old man has not forgotten
me entirely.

I am afraid I will be a coffee
lover if we stay camped here
much longer. We have lake water
to drink & it is awfull. It is
even unpleasant to wash in so you
can imagine how it tastes.

We tried boiling it. But I don't
believe boiled microbes taste
any better than fresh ones.

We have contented myself with
coffee. The only water we get that
is any good is what we get from
the passenger trains when they
stop at the lake.

You asked in your last letter
what I was doing. I am topographer
at present. My work consists chiefly
in following the line that is