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Dear Friend

I now try to write you a few lines in Answer to your kind letter which I received 4 days ago but I have not felt like trying to ^{write} and in fact I don't now I am now in the hospital and have been here 8 days to day I am having the typhoid fever though I haven't been so very sick yet only a day still I am getting pretty weak But I hope by being careful to get around again. There is 13 in here sick from our Company mostly fevers D. J. Adams is sick here in the same room with me. All of the Brothertown boys here are in good health I believe A week ago to day poor Ira Wiggins died here in the hospital he was here 9 days and after he had been here

3 or 4 days he did not have his senses
they called it the typhoid fever
he was buried with all the usual
ceremonies of burying soldiers. There
has four died here since I came
here but the most of them was
wounded men You say you have enlisted
Well I must say to you to be careful
when you go in to camp don't expose
yourself any more than you can help
I have got almost sick of Cavalry I think
it is harder upon a man than Infantry
I wish I could get in to some Regt
where some Brotherton boys are
The weather continues hot here yet and
fruit is plenty of all kinds but
that's all the good it does me There is
no fighting going on any where near
here lately. But in the N^E part
of the state there has been plenty
between the State Militia and
the guerillas I tell you I find
some difference in the fare here

than the fare you have up there
when you are sick (You never told
me how Bill Abine got along I should
like to know what kind of a crop
was raised on Mrs Harts farm) But I
must close for this time hoping
to hear from you soon Give my
best respects to all your folks
Yours truly J. M. Dick

To E M Dick