

Camp Tom Casey Decem 7<sup>th</sup> 62

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at least Not considered so by his Doct.  
he has been unwell some over a week  
but Not confined to Quarters but 3 or 4  
Days. he has every care & attention that  
he can have in such a place as this  
he says he rested better last Night than  
he has for a number of Nights. he has  
been Remarkably Rigid since in Va.  
the health of the Reg is Improving  
we lost one man in Co B. this morning by  
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Description: William Brown to family

Friend Cole you may rest assured  
he will be taken good care off as he can  
be considering the Privilege we have  
Charlie has a good many Friends in  
this Co. I belong to the Band & have  
not been with him but shall pay  
strict attention to him now. we have  
now moved into the Barracks which are  
as comfortable as the most of houses.  
they are built of logs & plastered with  
mud & a brick Chimney. they keep a good  
fire through the Night which makes the  
Quarters very comfortable. we shall not  
let Charlie go to the Hospital as long as  
we can help it. we think we can pay  
better Attention to him here. there is  
good air here and the Quarters are not  
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