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Dear Brother Bill Cuther

I received your letter to day and was glad to hear from you the last time I heared from you you were sick B or granting around I believe I am glad you are able to write you say you have a Wood She and a Barn to put up Between this and the first of April I will try and see if I can get a furlough to come and help you put them up You gave me such a Polite invitation to Being all things under Consideration I will Stay a little longer Before I come Home

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times are good Here
at present, Weather
nice & warm But it is
a going to Rain Before
long, I have just come
off of Guard, the Roads
are most out Rageous
Muddy and a fair prospect
for a little more, what
do you think of Bill, Tompkins
Strike I think he done
first rate for I would
not live so near the
Railroad as he did
when we were in Harris
burg for the cars run
one both sides of you
and make such
devil of a noise
day and Night

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we are not somear
the Track now but
can hear the cars
when they coop the
long Bridge which is
not more than one mile
and a half from here
Since writing it has
commenced raining
and by the appearance
of the weather I think
we will catch it to night
there are two of us at the
camp we take it in out
of the rain one in the
Guard House and me
in the Commisary
General Hooker was
at the White House
yesterday that is all at
Present Ballard & Cutler
cut wood and set by the stove

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Please Hand
this to William Cutter
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