



Camp near Bempice
Nov 7th 1862

Dear Pa,

As I have a favorable opportunity of writing by Capt. Agnes who has been discharged I embrace it with a good deal of satisfaction as I do not always know that my letters reach home when written. The weather in the valley is quite unpleasant at present, it is raining quite fast with a fair prospect of having a deep snow, and if this is so there is no telling how much suffering will be undergone by our troops for my I am getting on quite well I have a tent and small kitchen stove which keeps everything comfortable. Our troops have no

tents at all except small French
shelter tents which they (the men)
have taken individually from
the enemy and carried themselves;
and these will scarcely afford
sufficient protection for two men.

This want of tents is certainly to
be greatly deplored, and those
high in authority should investigate
the matter. I received two letters
from you a short time ago, one
per mail, the other through the
kindness of Elias Edwards. I was
very glad indeed to hear from you
all at home. I have since the re-
ceipt of your letters written to
Ma; and I hope she may
receive it, as she failed to
get the other.

I will send by
Capt Rice one hundred dollars
to pay off the borrowed money
from Lewis Dix - If there is any

interest accruing let me know
and I will send the required
amount to pay it by my next
letter as it must be a small
amount.

I am very well, and
so are all my friends I be-
lieve. Write soon and believe me
as ever

Sincerely Your Son
A. P. Swaney

Broun, William. William Broun to Edwin Broun, Berryville, VA, November 7, 1862.

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Camp near Berryville November 7th 1862

Dear Pa,

As I have a favorable opportunity of writing by [Captn' Ayer?] who has been discharged I embrace it with a good deal of satisfaction as I do not always know that my letters reach home when written. The weather in the valley is quite inclement at present. It is snowing quite fast with a fair prospect of having a deep snow and if this is so there is no telling how much suffering will be undergone by our troops. For me I am getting on quite well. I have a tent and small [?] iron stove which keeps everything comfortable. Our troops have no...

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I will send by Capt. Rice one hundred dollars to pay off the borrowed money from Lewis Dix. If there is any...

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I am very well and so are all my friends I believe. Write soon and believe me [as such?].

Sincerely Your Son, Wm. Broun

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Notes:

[?] - Bracketed words illegible to transcriber

- [Tents](#)

- [Captain Rice?](#) - Zachariah Armstead Rice (1822-1890)