

I am glad to hear that Garrison
Markham is doing so well I wish
that John & I had ~~had~~ to part
of the courage that he has got
but I suppose they are loafing
around Shintown as lazy as
ever. I had a letter from Charley
Field the other day he said the
Boys was all well and having
pretty good times they was
at fair at east house, he did not
mention Nelson's man in par-
ticular, but I presume he is well.
Then you are just having winter
in bath are you? it has been
summer weather here untill
yesterday a few days there has
been a little snow storm but it
has about all gone off now
we havent had any cold weather
here at all yet it has been
just like spring all winter
But I will warrant you it seems
dreadful to the Boys that are loafing
out this weather than it does
to us loafers that are cayed up in the
Hospital

Vietnam Pa

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Dear Sadie

I recd yours this morning and you better think I was glad to hear from you again. it seems to me a great while since I have ^{been} heard the folks in Shantown. We have remained from 16th Feb to the McAllister Hospital it is about 5 miles out of the city. It is much pleasanter here than it was in the city. But I cant tell how long I shall stay here they are a going to discharge a lot in a few days & sent

same to thus Regt. I dont
know which they will do with
me, & dont like the idea of
going to my Regt. since they
have been broken up & consolidated
with the 94th. Old 105
has gone up. & it ~~dis~~ ^{now} ~~compr~~^{now} ~~able~~^{able}
ates my calculations all to
gether. But never the less I
stand as good a chance for
my life as the ~~rest~~^{that} do.

Well late you and ~~that~~ Weston
have gay times stay riding doat
you. couldnt he keep you from
warms. I dont remember of
your complaining of yours from
being cold, the night we went
down to K. or Mary Willoughby
either. But I believe I did hear
Lydia complaining that her nose
was cold did not you? Satis
when I think of that Stay load &
it puts me in mind of a
nest of young Pigs.

But didnt we have a good time
that night? I enjoyed myself
first rate & hurt my shoulder
in the bargain. But Sadie
according to your own accounts
you are keeping full as late
hours as you did. One other time
but perhaps it is because your
Mother is gone a way, I should
advise her ^{if she} wants a duty house
keeper to chose a good sturdy
girl that would see to the
Household affairs in his absence
& that would retire at a proper
hour. perhaps you would do
all this ~~with~~ if the oil of
Hickory was thoroughly ^{will you} applied
~~late~~ ^{you} want get mad at my sonson

I suppose Clark tells good Big
stories like all the rest of the
Soldiers, as a snail as of course
he is a lucky Boy, he has
got only a littl while longer
to work for Uncle Sam & then he is free