

Camp Griffin Dec 31. 1864

My darling wife -

I did not write to
you yesterday or Sunday for I didn't
feel very well & thought I should not
write a good letter - Was quite
sick yesterday - the Dr. tho't I was
going to have a fever, but I ^{am} much
better to-day - have been out much
of the time all day - shall be on duty
to-morrow. I should have tried for
a leave of absence when first taken
sick, but we have been anticipating
a battle for a few days past, & I
wouldn't leave any way till all hope
had passed. We are comfortably
settled down now, but I doubt if
we remain long - Mrs Proctor
went home with Major Brown
& is about coming over again -
We haven't given up all hope of a
fight yet - My best wishes &
I think I had better defer
trying to write till I get
better ~~restored~~ -

Yr fond husband

W. H. H. H. H.