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gentleman to the local hospital in Renova, Pa. where he received medical care. There were two small fragments, one embedded in his right thigh and one next to the spine in his back. They proved to be minor injuries and to date he is fine and I consider myself a very fortunate individual.

Item 5 -- With the above background on record, I then took the rifle to a local gunsmith to ask him to see if he could identify the problem and fix it. He advised me to forward the rifle back to you for your action.

Item 6 -- I thereby attach as part of this letter the referenced rifle and scope. You will notice that the bolt works very stiffly. This happened after the second accidental discharge. I was again ejecting the shells by using the bolt and at one point it became stuck and I had to use great force to get it open. I used the rifle for another day without incident and the rifle is now in your hands in the condition as of my last day of hunting - December 1, 1982.

Item 7 -- Please inform me as to your desired actions on the repair and/or replacement of the referenced item.

Very truly yours,

Billy Jay Hoffman

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