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B. Stanton to Caroline Spiegel, 1865 May 8.

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May 8<sup>th</sup> 1865

## Mrs. C. F. Spiegel,

## Dear Madam,

Yours of the 3<sup>rd</sup> was just received. After the Colonel's return to the regiment at Baton Rouge, he did not have a servant in his employ. For a short time he had an enlisted man taking care of his horse, but the man was I think, doing duty in his company at the same time. If that were mentioned in your application for back pay the soldier's wages would be deducted from the money due you, which under the circumstances, would be unjust. I will forward to Mr. Cohn a certificate to be used by him as he wishes it.

Soon after the Colonel's return to the regiment he bought a horse of Adjutant Fraunfelter for \$250.00 I think. Just before starting up Red River he sold him for \$300.00 and received the money at the time. He had at the time of receiving the injury about \$180.00 which Joseph Spiegel took care of. I do not know what he had done with the rest but no doubt your bother Joseph can tell when he returns.

I sent you the Col's pipe and \$72.00 by express from New Orleans after my return from Red River and about the same time wrote you a letter telling you all I knew about the Col's affairs. I directed them to Millersburg. I have not learned whether you received them or not.

I did not see the Col at the time of his receiving the injury but saw him soon after. The first thing he said to me was "This is the last of the husband and father, what will become of my poor family?" He frequently spoke of you and wondered what would become of you, but said nothing about where he wished you to live. Joseph and Mr. Sinsheimer were with him most of the time until he died. His wound was very painful and he suffered much the first night. The next morning he felt better and thought for a while that he might get well but about two c'clock he got worse and continued to sink until about four o'clock when he died.

He was buried the next day under an oak tree directly in front of the house in which he died, between the levee and the river. There would be no difficulty in finding the grave if you could find the house but I have forgotten the name of the man who lived in it. I think Capt Taylor could give you a better description of it than any one else.

I hope soon to hear of the return of your bro[ther] Joseph and the rest of the prisoners in Texas.

Mrs. Stanton desires remembrance.

Very respectfully

B. Stanton