Camp Macnealista (Mex)
April 26th 1847

Dear Mr. Sheridan,

Please hand the enclosed to Mr. Shinn or Dr. Gaggan

I have been some days here paying off the troops in Gen. Wool's

String. The officers were very glad to see me. Gen. Wool is very kind.

He behaved gallantly and like a hero during the battle, and I have forgiven

all the little annoyances, and he has forgiven me—I was very rude to him

some times. He is a rigid disciplinarian

and is no judge of man kind, and thus he became very unpopular personally;

but the battle has caused all to be

forgotten or forgiven that was offensive on his part. He is an admirable

executive officer. He was very active in arranging for the battle

and conducted himself nobly during

the whole of that conflict.

All is quiet here; the army

is too weak to move upon San Luis

and will probably lie here for some

time. I shall return to General
Taylor Law, and probably remain at Monterey, till the General moves. I was provoked at the delay of my letter at the Brazos. They should have been at No. on the 16 of March, instead of the 21st.

I'll write as soon as I get time, and give you some interesting particulars of the battle. Perhaps it will not be till I return to Monterey.

Remember me to [name cut out].

I am Truly,

[Signature]
Dr. S.—Dear Moorhead, I have marked the foregoing as private. Nevertheless you may send it to Gen. Cameron, if you think proper, but not with the injunction you will, doubtless, think me very partial to Gen. Taylor. I am not particularly so. I confess that I like him, because he is so humane. He is entirely unartificial. I see and feel his moral weight. His influence is as unbounded as it is unaccountable! He is simple, very plain in manner and seems to be indifferent but alacrity except to bring the war to an honorable termination. He is determined, yet mild. He is humane, yet unyielding. He stood all day at Buena Vista and saw his price and their men mown down by hundreds, yet he would not move. And when Capt. Bragg told the General, having one of those overwhelming charges of the enemy, that unless he was sustained, he should lose his battery, he coolly replied, "Why, Bragg, if you don't keep it up, ..."
you will lose your good name any how do go back Captain I give I'm in the grape." Bragg did go back, and his conduct is the admiration of the whole army and of great praise by Gen. Taylor. But Nat with standing this coolness and deliberations in the midst of house yet when I mentioned to him that Yell, Harding, Lincoln, Patricular & others were friends of mine "So they were of mine!" said Gen. I. and he began to speak of them; but his heart swelled, his throat got the rattle in it, his eyes filled, and mutuall, and from mere sympathy we both choked of, and drafted the deject, never to receive it, so far as I am concerned.

It is reported here, that Gen. Taylor says as the he had not had well treated. I knew nothing of any difficulty further than that the General speaks on very respectful and friendly terms of the President, and I heard him once say that he was sure that all both had no jealous or bad feeling toward him, and that in return he (Gen. O,) had done and would continue to do all that he could to sustain the great
"You will doubtless think me very partial to Gentleman."

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