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Peter Hagen Esqr.

3rd. Aud. Treas. Dept.

Washington City

Sir,

Your favr. Of the 5th July Recd. Also one from Mr. Lewis the 3nd aud. From which it would appear that the vouchers inquired for are all lost. Ever since the date if the joint better of cols. Reeves & Mather & myself to you (of the 17th June) we have been endeavoring to collect vouchers. Col. Reeves assures me that he has not ridden less than 500 miles in this pursuit, and col. Mather and I have been at no little fatigue & trouble. The object is not yet however entirely completed; but I am not authorized to say that it will most probably be soon accomplished.

Since our conference in June, on the subject of our acts. Cols. Reeves & Mather & myself have determined that instead of sending our papers to Washington (as at first proposed) one of us will be the bearer of them in person. This, we conceive to be the better plan. As being __ to afford much greater facilities for explanation etc. as well as to __ trouble and prevent delay. Tho' it will be attended with more expense to us; and to him who makes the journey, some personal inconvenience. It is moot probable that I shall be the one designated for this task; and if so, I shall endeavor to arrive at Washington some time in January, or as much earlier as necessary previous preparations will allow.

I am very confident Sir, that the settlement of our accounts will be accomplished without difficulty, under the arrangement above proposed.

With great respect, I hae the honor to be

Sir, Yr. mo. Obt. Servt.

(signed) G. C. Sibley