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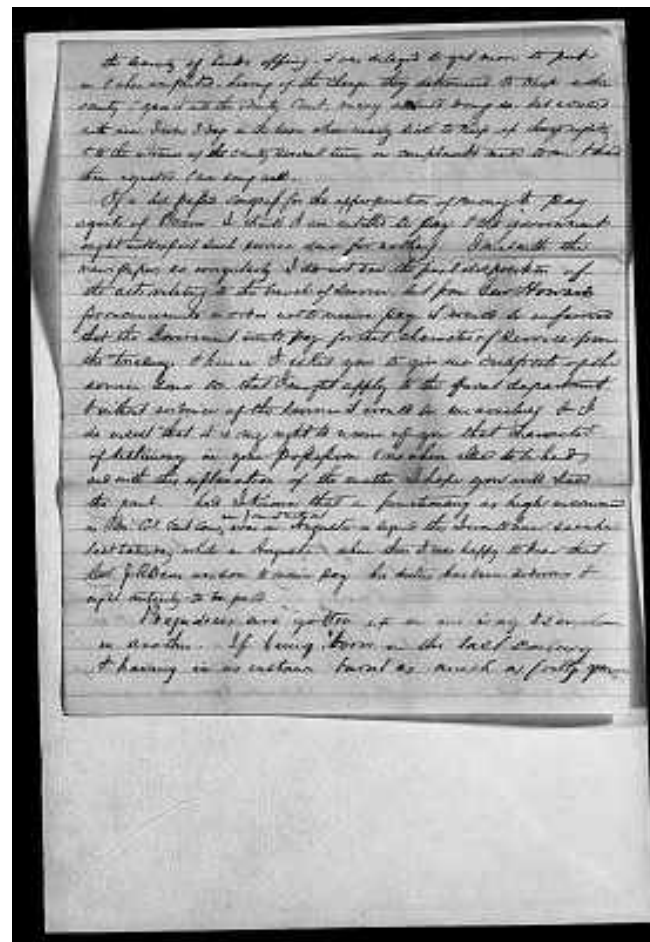
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the scarcity of hands offering, it was delayed to get more to put in & when completed, hearing of the change they determined to keep within county & gave it into the County Court, many declined doing so, but roused with me. I rode 3 days in the snow when nearly sick to keep up things rightly & to the extremes of the county several times on complaints made to me & had them adjusted, & now doing well.

If a bill passes Congress for the appropriation of money to pay agents of Beaurio I think I am entitled to pay & the government ought not to expect such service done for nothing. I meet with the newspapers so irregularly I do not see the final disposition of the acts relating to this branch of service, but from Genl Howards pronouncements or order not to receive pay, it would be inferred that the Government would pay for that character of service from the treasury & hence I asked you to give me certificate of the service done &c that I might apply to the fiscal department & without evidence of the service it would be unavailing & I do insist that it is my right to receive of you that character of testimony in your possession & no where else to be had & with this explanation of the matter I hope you will see the point. Had I known that a functionary as high recommended as Bvt Col & Sub Com now I cannot make out was in Augusta as signed this I would have seen him last Saturday while in Augusta when there I was happy to hear that Col J R Davis was soon to receive pay, his duties have been arduous & ought certainly to be paid

Prejudices are gotten up in one way & sometimes in another. If being born in the last century & having in no instance burnt as much as forty

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