



J. Joseph

Merrillville

February 1861

Mr. J. K. Ritter

of

your letter of

December the 24<sup>th</sup> you said you said

My Boy on the level and I am

glad you did and I will be glad

in the fall if nothing happens



Mr. Joseph. K. Ritter

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William Dickson 1864  
Chief Engineer  
US Steam Fire Brigade  
WASHINGTON CITY, D.C.

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Washington City, D.C.  
Dec 1 1864

Dear Sir,  
Secretary of War

I have the honor to direct your attention to the case of Charles Schuyler, now a prisoner of war at Camp Douglas, Chicago. His petition for release, with accompanying papers, have been forwarded for your consideration by the Commissary General of Prisoners. I have a personal knowledge and intimate acquaintance with Mr. Schuyler, previous to his leaving Philadelphia for the South. He has ever been a true and faithful Union man, and his conduct has been highly respectable. I believe in the truthfulness of his statements, and I therefore, with a view to his welfare, and to the credit of the Government, I have the honor to recommend that he be released from confinement, and that he be permitted to return to his home in Philadelphia.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER  
Dept of Washington, No. 114  
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CHAS. W. DICKSON  
Care of the  
Philadelphia

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OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF U.S. SENATE,

Washington, February 13, 1868.

Friend Charles:-

A sprained wrist caused by a fall upon the ice has compelled me to forgo writing, and thereby neglect my correspondences. I called at the Auditor's Office twice in reference to your accounts, but must admit that I did not, nor could not, glean much information of a positive character. It seems that a rigid rule has lately been enforced not to heed the inquiries or applications of impatient claimants to hasten their accounts to a final settlement, for the reason that

Letter True Signed by William Dickson  
Chief Engineer: US Steam Fire Brigade  
Washington City D.C. 1868  
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usual progress  
has, taking up  
ing inquiries

... we hear of desertions... every day  
... he was caught & put in the slave pen...

it would make me fall one  
that is there is men enough that  
is fit for duty to accept one



honest man his punishment  
Chebney I have written all I  
can think of and more but  
yours as ever  
R. Childs

Camp near Bellefonte Pa. Oct 20

Dear Sister  
I received  
of the 20th this morning  
some unplied to get it  
will forward you for writing  
soon by answering it immediately  
But do not know for my sake  
what to write, we are in the same  
place we were the last time I  
wrote, our regiment has been  
detached from the brigade  
to join a Light Brigade for what  
purpose I do not know. but the  
report is that the 4th  
regiment is a gang in our  
place and we are going to the  
harvest, where we ever before  
burned, got stuck in the mud.  
But I think he would have  
done

HW

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to: 1<sup>st</sup> Provisional Guard / Boston Harbor  
w small black "Received" CDS. "1863"



Mr Hiram W Bate  
Co. C 1<sup>st</sup> Provisional Guard  
Long Island  
Boston Harbor