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Mr F Hunter Creech
623 Munsey Building
Washington D C

Dear Hunter Creech:

Co "M" 16th U.S. Cavalry

I wrote you yesterday as follows:

"Can you learn for me from the Pension Bureau the record of Jos. Zisgen, one of those who captured Booth. If Zisgen is dead, I would like to know the date and place of his death; also what addresses he may have had for receipt of pension."

Confirming our conversation of today, will you also obtain for me the war record of Col Chas G Halpine, who claims in an article in the New York ~~Herald~~ Tribune, April 9, 1865, that in the fall of 1862 he was a Major on the staff of General Hallack and had frequent occasion to confer with President Lincoln both during official hours and at other times. As explained to you, I want to confirm this, if possible.

I should also like to get the war record, if you can obtain it, of Wilson D Kenzie, who claims he was Sergeant in "The First U S Artillery" and was located in the fall of 1862 in New Orleans and there knew John Wilkes Booth for a period of four months. He claims further that he was in Washington at the time of the assassination and joined in the pursuit. However, he is not on the list of those named.

Very truly yours

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