Brummitt, Dec. 1865

Dear Earl,

I send you an account which I tried to make brief; but as I have no notion that you intend to make use of it verbatim, I wrote it rather freely. Facts are given, available for a statistical report. Those that belong to the ecologist are most intentionally at least omitted.

Copies of the commanding official's Nurses I will forward if they are necessary. I hate to do it.

Thank you for the kindest

Yours faithfully,

J. L. Chamberlain
Munich Dec 6, 1815

My dear Lord,

I have thought it best to send you a book in which a portion of the letters I referred to me contain, or other authentic slips of paper inserted.

There are incidents of a merely formal nature which it must not be for me either to write myself, or (by that convenient pravat which a flaneur considers as often results) procure others to write for me. Time will bring them out. I hope that my reputation would improve after a better knowledge of facts, rather than diminish.

I observe that in your report I am spoken of as absent from my post, occasionally without any remark to the effect that I was at that time componing the Brigade. Indeed I am clasped nearly with col. cullum as absent; then in fact I was at that time leading my Brigade into battle, not my horse shot three
It is perhaps my own fault. I did not communicate to you any little point I had
heard of again. You will see by reference
to this book that the service at Westphal
was of far more account than has been
made of it here in Virginia.

These things I know are more
in advance. I make these are not mere
in a line so complicated & difficult enough.
I refer some these further
you at some I was recommended in April
for a full major rank. That recommendation
was formally endorsed by Meade & Grant, &
lite others before any dropped at Washington.
When the army broke up Meade made a
particular nomination which he was content
over the formally acted on. But the gentlemen
at Washington had other views.

The degree has shown

Very Truly,

Yours Very Truly,

J.L. Chamberlain,

I never had but four days' proper leave of absence during
my service. At all other times when not in the field there
have been orders away for treatment of wounds &c., or in duty
of some other than benefit. I never started field any.