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 Executive Department
 Augusta, May 4, 1861

Dear Bro,
 It is of no use for
 me to try to do more for
 Charles - the more I try
 the more I don't help
 him. I am no where
 bowed out. Sorry enough
 for Ch. but myself, good -
 served right.
 As to being snubbed any

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To Elisha Washburne

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