

Head Quarters 3rd Brigade Ship Island April 4, 1862

H.N. Jose Quarter Master

> 12 Regt Me Vols My Dear friend Deeply

as I regret your departure on my own on

account and ^ account of the great loss to the Regiment and the service, I can not but feel the necessity of your depar ture for reasons which I knew existed at the time you accepted the appoint ment. You have already remained in the service longer than it was antici pated you could be able to remain when at my solicitation you accepted the appointment. How faithfully and diligently and successfully you have discharged all your duties all con nected with the Regiment know and feel and they deeply regret the necessity

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Description: Letter to Horatio Jose from George Shepley

Which compels your departure at entire confidence of the whole command, when all are grateful for The Jacifices you have made. in the public device, and when any and every position in The Quarter Marters Department in the whole command is open to your acceptance No one has contributed more Them yourself to bring about The State of good feeling and unity of action which has Tenoually I Shall daily mip your foudent countels your Cheerful and frompt cooperation V apristance and the society of Friend Whom I have learned to value and confide in more and more each Lucce pive day-

which compels your departure at this time when you enjoy the entire confidence of the whole command. When all are grateful for the sacrifices you have made in the public service, and when any and every position in the Quarter Masters Department in the whole command is open to your acceptance

No one has contributed more than yourself to bring about the state of good feeling and unity of action which has pervaded the officers of the 12th Regiment

Personally I shall daily miss your prudent counsels your cheerful and prompt cooperation & assistance and the society of a friend whom I have learned to value and confide in more and more each successive day.

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I am consoled for your departure by the knowledge that your journey to the North will enable you in the performance of such official duties as are assigned to you by the Com^g General to contribute in no small degree to the success of the expedition

Wishing you a pleasant
voyage and a safe return to
your loved ones at home I am
Most Sincerely
Your friend
G. F Shepley
Acting Brig Genl
Comg 3d Brigade