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I have rec<sup>d</sup> your notes, and the copy of the bill presented by one LeClerc against our Government. The presenting of such a bill, is the most outrageous piece of impudence, I have heard of even in New Orleans. Such a man ought to be sent to either the "Parish Prison," "Insane Asylum," or "Home for Idiots". So far as the rent is concerned I believe the question has already been settled, and paid to another man than LeClerc, as it was decided that LeClerc, by some means had forfeited his right. I know that some rent has been paid, I think by Col. Shaffer.  
Capt Thornton sent to LeClerc for the keys before we went in. We did not move in on the 10<sup>th</sup>, but on the 11<sup>th</sup>. There were a few old chairs, but we left more good chairs there, than we found there. Damage to other furniture - nothing. I know what was in the house, and can give my oath to my statements. Looking glasses - no damage. China & Glass ware there might have been \$10.00 worth, possibly damaged to the amount of \$5.00. As to Table Cloths there were none in the house, Capt. Thornton had one on his table, we carried it there and left it there. Clocks - there was but one, and that is never in good running order, LeClerc ought to pay for cleaning the old thing. Whoever says there was a cooking stove or cooking utensils there - lies. Wines, and Liquors, there was some Capt. Thornton locked them up, and LeClerc took them away. As to Business losses for the season, I think LeClerc had not been dealt justly by. He ought to have rec<sup>d</sup> his rations regularly in some institution calculated to reform such a disgraceful lying rascal.  
Yours in great haste,  
H. Hight Lt. Co. C 12<sup>th</sup> Me.

Capt. J. F. Appleton  
Co. H. 12<sup>th</sup> Maine

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Description: Lt. Horatio Hight wrote to John F. Appleton in response to a bill from a man named LeClerc whose home was used by Co. C of the 12th Maine.

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