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Description: Horatio N. Jose wrote a statement to his former commander and friend, George F. Shepley, about paperwork concerning Ordnance issued to the 12th Maine.

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