

Kalchitchev, Va.

9 March 1877.
Dear Pa.

I have just returned from St. Orleans whither I went to put an end to the doubt and uncertainty that has so long prevailed here, and still there is no positive settlement. Since I received my Commission I have refused business, and under the status quo orders and the urgent request of Gov. Nichols I could not act as Judge, so that I am literally doing nothing. And you may know I am tired of my position, we are yet quite hopeless that our State Government will

not be interfered with.

While in N. C. I saw much
of the Governor who is confi-
dent and determined.

There is nothing doing here, no
Courts and but little of any
kind of business, everything
waiting the result.

We are all well, there is
no local news. I will
write you as soon as
I know what our fate is
to be. Somehow I have
no fears.

Love to all.

Yours Affly
D. Finney