

Have sent La Mer - 25th / 1865

Dear Pa,

Send my Musquito Bar - and Summer
pants by the return of Mr Bob Steys wagon, which
leaves here tomorrow for McLean, I have mailed a
letter with the same request which I hope will
reach you before the wagon arrives,
I send this by the driver - All well, I send you
a paper from which you can get the news, I have been detailed
on Genl Court-Martial duty again which meets in town tom-
orrow, One Lieut-Col Gueff is to be tried first for some
Crime in regard to his Cotton dealing,
The Celebrated Criminal McRae left here a few days ago
for Washetche where he is to be tried, Genl Churchill

Division is still here though I hear that ^{it} will soon march
to Texas The Dist of Ark has been abandoned for
want of supplies and if reports be true from
Alexandria I should think this Dist will soon
share the same fate. It is truly alarming to see how
the resources of the Country are being exhausted. All
accounts agree that the Army at Alexandria is on the
point of suffering for want of provisions. General
Lewis is in Texas, somewhere about Houston or below.
Our Red River Fleet of Gunboats left here two days
ago bound for Alexandria. There seems to be some
apprehension of an advance of the enemy in that
direction. If the Yankees attempt the invasion of this
sept it will be prevented solely by the fear of French interfe-
rence. If they come again I shall have hopes of seeing you
Intermittent Love &c. Dear