

[On recto:]

Laffayett [Lafayette], Aug. 20th [1862 in different hand]

Capt. Flandrau

New Ulm

Sir:

I have just returned from near the Fort. When within 6 miles saw two large volumes of smoke & heard firing of guns. When within ½ mile of the Hill on this side, Saw one man dead with his throat cut & could [see] two distinct fires, one no doubt the Gov't stables & the other Randals house or stables. I returned from there & will go to St. Peter tonight. If you can spare a force you had better send to their relief or the Fort may fall into the hands of the Indians.

N. Myrick

[Punctuation added to increase understanding. Author used little or no punctuation]

[On verso:]

N. Myrick

Aug 21st 1862



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