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Simp City, Iowa.
June 8th 1863.

Sir,

You will load with about Three
hundred and fifty (350) Tons of Quartersmaster
and Commissary's Stores, and immediately
proceed to Fort Randall, D. T. in charge
of Geo. H. Root, Chief Clerk of Capt. Corwell
and there discharge freight of a safe and com-
modious Warehouse can be furnished.

7450

You will then immediately proceed
to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, there to be
discharged from Govt. Service, unless pre-
vious discharge be desired by you, in which
case the Quartermaster of the Post where
discharged will designate. (On the Contract
of the Steamer Glasgow), the date of discharge

(Signed)

A. H. Miles

To Capt. W. L. Gamble
of Steamer Glasgow

Capt. V. A. M. M. M.

The Government of the United States
furnish wood to this boat from
here to Fort Randall & back. for
all wood required for the boat the
Captain will give a receipt counters-
signed by the Govt Agent aboard
which receipt when presented at the
Quartermaster's office at this place
will be paid

Sioux City
June 10. 63

Alf. Sully
Br. Genl

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Head Quarters 1st Mil Dist Sept 2nd 1863
Sioux City, June 20th 1863
Received from Cap. Casswell Ad. On a/c of the U.S.
twenty one Dollars and one cent in full for one bottle
Revolver Pistol and holster
J. A. Pearson
2^d Lt 16th U.S. Inf
acting as Officer

7450
July 15th 1863
I hereby certify that the foregoing articles are
my and are our Home 14th Williams.
D. W. Hunt to R. 24, mt. 600

¹³
P. J. Williams
2^d Lt. Co "K" 2^d Regt.
July 18 1863

Camp opposite Fort Pierre. July 26 1863.

General:

In the Subsistence Store which Lieut. J. T. Schull wishes to turn over to me per your order No 90 I find a lot of Bacon which I considers totally unfit for use —

I therefore respectfully request that an inspection of the same be made —

Respectfully.

Bng Gen Sully }
Com Expedition }

Geo H Rust
Clerk Sub. Dept.
for Maj Croswell C.S.

Official Business

Mr Rust
Commissary Clerk

Head, 1st N. W. Expedition
Fort Pierre July 3d 1863

Special Order
No 90 31. Mr Rust Commissary Clerk
and Mr Threlk Ir: M^r clerk
will receive and receipt for such
Commissary and Quarter Masters Stores as
Lieut J. F. Hall - 1st Iowa
may wish to turn over to them.

By order of Brig Gen Sully
Andrew Leveque
Lieut 72d

Official Business

Mr Rust
Commissary Clerk

Head, 1st Lt. H. Expedition
Fort Pierre July 3rd 1863

Special Order

No 90 35 Mr Rust Commissary Clerk
and Mr Arnold Jr: 1st clerk,

will receive and receipt for such
Commissary and Quarter Master Stores as
Lieut J. F. Hall - 11th Iowa
may wish to turn over to them.

By order of Brig Gen Lucy
Judson Levee
Lieut F. J. Hall

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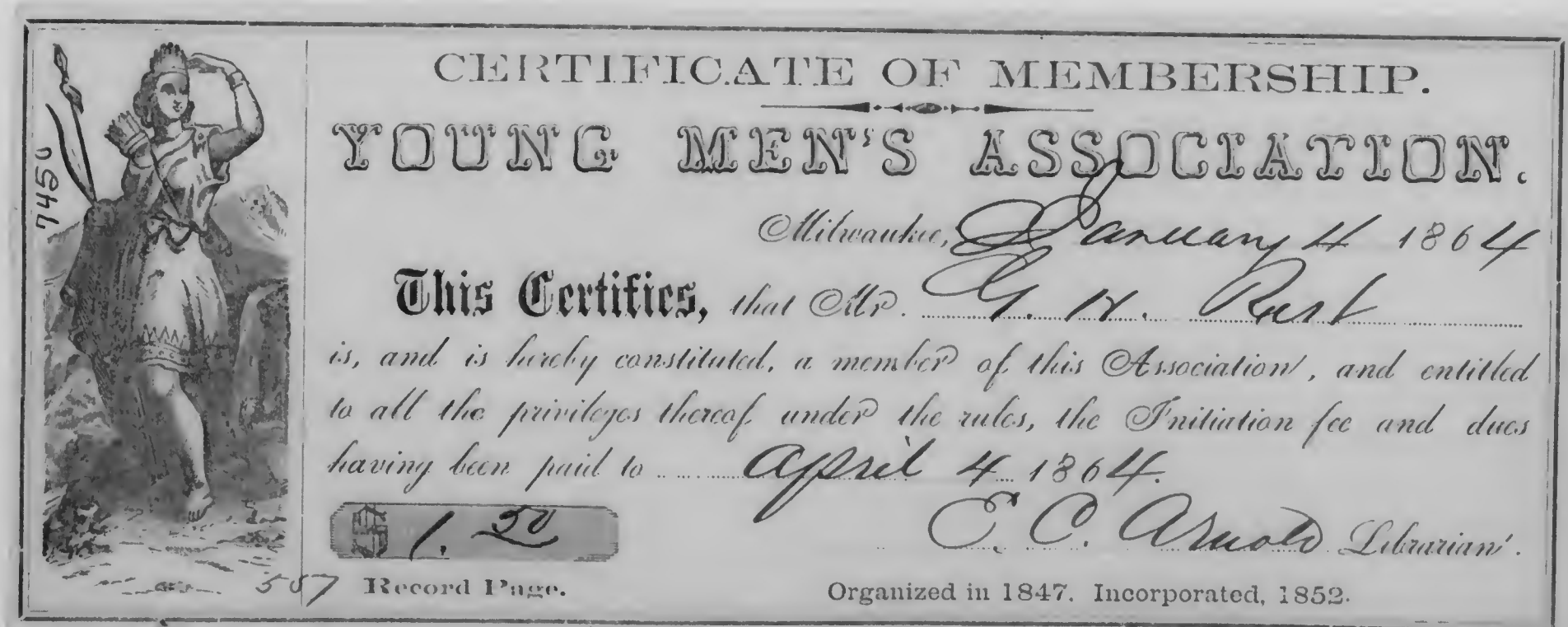
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Letters & orders
for Gen. Sully &
Capt. Palmer &
1864
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Geo. H. Rust

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Mr Geo. H. Dyer
St. Louis Mo April 14th 1864
V. M. Dal. Expedition
Subsistence Department

7450
You will on receipt of this
proceed to St. Louis St. by river
You will take charge of, and receipt
for, all Subsistence Stores and Commissary
Property delivered in good order, at that
post, for the Expedition

You will issue to troops belonging to the
Expedition on Provision Returns properly approved,
and make Salaries to Officers.

You will call on the Commander
of the Post for details of men, for guarding
and any necessary removal or handling
of the Stores; and on the Quartermaster
for Storage or Dealings for their pro-
-vision - Transportation in kind

will be furnished you by Capt. Parsons
A. D. M. at this Post

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.
S. J. Palmer

Capt. C. S. M. W. Ind. Exped.

P.S. If you find a deficiency in any of the
Stores you will enclose it on the Bill of Lading
together with the price at which such Stores are to
be charged; The same to be collected by the
Quartermaster chartering the boat and the
amount to be turned over to the Subsistence
Department — or you may, if the boat wishes
to pay the deficiency, make out a bill against
said boat and collect the amount —

S. J. Palmer

Capt. C. S. M. W. Ind. Exped.

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Capt J. J. Palmer Col. 110th
order to proceed to St. Louis
Rec'd St. Louis Mo. April 14/64

Approved -
J. J. Haines
Colonel & Chief Com.
St. Louis April 14. 1864.

Capt. J. G. Johnson Col. Vol.
order to proceed to Ft. Pierre
Rec'd St. Louis Mo. April 14/64

Approved -
J. J. Haines
Colonel & Chief Com.
St. Louis April 14-1864-

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Sioux City Iowa.

May 6 "1864

To Mr. George Ruet

Citizen Clerk Sub. Dept

& supposed to be now on board

the Steamer "Yellowstone"

Sir, You are

7450 hereby summoned to appear forthwith before
the Genl Court Martial now in session at this
place, as a witness in the case of Capt
J. C. Whitney 6th Minn. Vols.

By order of the Court,

(S)

Carter Berkeley 2^d Lt. 6th Co.

Infantry Advocate.

C. Ber Kelly,
Lt Col 6th Iowa Cavalry and
Judge Advocate —
order to appear before
Court Martial as witness.
Rec^d. near Yankton S.D.
May 9th 1864 —

Office Com. Surg. W. W. Jordan & J. J. Palmer
Fort Snelling D. T.
June 24th 1864.

Gen. H. Rose
Chf. Surg. Dept.

7450
You will on your arrival here, remain and take charge of the Subsistence Stores on the bank of the river and superintend their Shipment up the river to their destination giving bills of Lading and taking receipts for them from the Boats on which they are shipped - You will send forward Mr. Green with the trains to assist Mr. Woodward in issuing to the command en route to Long Lake - After taking off the "Steamer Alona" what "Farm Island" Stores she may have for this Post you will make up her load for above from the Fort Pierre and any other Stores on hand - After having shipped all Stores designed for points above and the balance of the "Fort Pierre" lot, you will come forward to the Post at Long Lake on the last Boat.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
J. J. Palmer
Captain and Chf. Surg.

Steamed Island City
Swan Lake Landing July 2, 1862

Mr Rust,

Your letter of the 27 & 29th ult is just received & I only write to say that we start for Long Lake in the morning, and that the Marcella goes back for Quartermasters Stores only. Other boats go back from Long Lake which is about three days run from here.

The Minniscato command has arrived as has also Buier with his cattle. They march in the morning. Capt Kilner our Topographical Engineer for the expedition, and my mess mate & tent mate on the route up was killed by Indians on the Little Shagamee, the day before we arrived. I feel his loss very much as I was warmly attached to him.

I have written to Lt Schell, giving him full explanations.

Yours truly,
I. J. Palmer
was quite sick all the way up but am better today
Capt & C. S.

Mr. Rice D. T. July 27. 1864

Dear Sir

7450
In reply to yours letter with regard to the freight of the Calypso I think you had better send her on with the freight if there is any prospect of her getting repaired soon, as I think the other boats will have all they can bring. - The stores have come up all right so far, - and am only sorry that they could not all have been brought the first load.

I find on looking over a bill to Steamer Tempest that Lieut Shell has charged but 11 cents for Fresh Beef when he should have charged 15 cents. - he also charged \$35. - for mess Pork and should have charged \$32. - please advise him right the matter

Very Resp

Your Obedt Serv

J. I. Palmer Capt
U. S. A.

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Very Resp^{ly}

Yours Obedt Serv^t

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U. S. A.

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P.S

Also tell Lt Schell to collect from Steamer
Marcella for all Licks Stores furnished her
on Provision Returns or otherwise as the
Clerk has promised to pay cash for them
J. A. P.

Head Quarters, North Western Indian Expedition,

St. Louis City. Iowa

Nov. 13. 1864

Mr. J. H. Ross, Commissary Dept. is in charge of the Head Quarters of the District to Nevada Terr. He will leave with him the six mule teams. Two teams & some cattle men. part of them mounted. On his arrival at Nevada. he will wait there with his teams until he hears from Mr. = = = by telegraph. if he is to go to Pecos or Deluge. and he will then take the route to either point. sending back the wagons to his camp. My two private horses & Arrows can go by rail also if desired but can be ridden to the Head Quarters but all the Oriskany horses will be sent by land to the place of destination. The forage for the animals & necessary expenses of transportation. Mr. Ross will pay for. taking receipts. or make arrangements with the Stage Company. if they are willing to give them receipts for forage. which will be returned in kind at this place by the District Quartermaster Capt. Boff. A & m

at this point. Whatever arrangement
he makes in this matter I will return
to & be responsible for payment.

Very truly
B. J. Jones

7450

(61) AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY.

M. Geo Sully *Dubuque Mo 31 1864*

For Transportation of *1 Lk* To **LIVINGSTON, FARGO & CO., Dr.**

from } \$ *15⁰⁰/₁₀₀*

Advanced Charges, = = = *Ph O'Druid*

Received Payment, *Ph O'Druid*

For **LIVINGSTON, FARGO & CO.**

Head-Quarters, Department of the Northwest,

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov 30 1864.

To

J H Kent

Sir

I received yours of the 28
today. Am much obliged & would
send on money if I did not expect
soon to be in Dubuque. As yet I have
^{not} heard nothing definite. Tell Lieutenant
Williams. I shall require one room
as my office one for Adjutant Genl
one for Quartermaster one Miscellaneous
duties & room for Clerks & orderlies and
to hire these rooms. It will be well
if it can be done, to let the corner
of the rooms rent out stores at same
time. I have ordered the Clerks &
promotion of the Adjutant Genl Office
from Davenport. So it will not

be necessary to purchase any till I
come on. I have ordered Capt. Bagg
to Dulague as Chief of the
District. Tell Sam Williams he
can remain in Dulague till he
hears from me

I am
A. J. Sully
This day

HEADQUARTERS DISTRICT OF IOWA,

~~Office of Assistant Adjutant General,~~

Dubuque, Iowa, Dec 16th, 1864.

To

Brig. Genl A. D. Eaton
Commissary Genl
Genl

Major Barin's Commissary

7450
Capt. - told me when I met him in
Milwaukee that you were desirous of ~~obtaining~~
obtaining all the information you could
in regard to the Pork Market - in this
section of country. in the absence of
Capt. Palmer my Commissary. I directed
Mr. Rust. his clerk to make inquiries
I enclose his report. Pork was much
higher about a week ago. but the
late snow storm has allowed farmers
to get in from the country with sleighs
and every day large quantities are coming
in. this has decreased the price. and no
doubt will still continue to decrease it -
if ~~facts~~ such should be your wish Messrs
Pork & Bacon. could be purchased here in

small quantities at a time and stored at an
advantage to the Government. by my commissary
Capt. Palmer who is a very good business man
Vice Post-his clerk is a man I think I
can rely on he is steady sober and very
attentive to his duties. I have put him with
me two years. I will with pleasure give my
attention to any business of this nature that will
benefit the Government - and will see that the
Rail Roads transport any quantity of stores
whenever and wherever you wish.

With much Respects
your obt. Servant
all truly
Brig Genl.

Head Quarter District of Iowa
Office of Chief Commissary of Subsistence
DuBuque Iowa Dec. 16 1864

To
Lieut. Col. E. F. Van Brock

Adelphi.
Sir.

7450 I have the honor to report that
in obedience to instructions from the General
commanding the District, I have made
inquiries as to the practicability of purchasing
in this market a quantity of Salt Meats and
other Subsistence Stores for the use of the troops
of this District; And with the following
result:-

I find that a large quantity of Pork of
an excellent quality is being brought in from the
surrounding country, daily; part of it is being
packed here and part shipped in bulk to Chicago.

At present rates Mess Pork can be purchased at
from \$22 to \$24 per cask. Bacon clear sides & Hams
at 19 to 20 cents per pound. And the dealers agree
in saying, that with a few weeks notice the quantity

of Pork you need can be obtained here in Open
Market at about \$2.50 to \$3.00 per Bbl less than
the Market rates in Chicago or St Louis. ~~And~~ these
Market rates are usually from \$3 to \$5 less than
Government Contract rates. I would also state
that this Pork is nearly all corn-fed, and of
much better quality than that usually obtained in
our larger city Markets — It is impossible to
tell with certainty whether the prices will be
higher or lower several weeks hence, but the
probabilities are that they will be lower.

Flour of good quality can be obtained at
Leelan Falls. the Western terminus of the Duluth
& Sioux City Rail Road and at other points on
said Road, at rates which will save to the
Government the expense of shipping the wheat
Eastward and the Flour Westward, which at present
high rates of transportation would give an advantage
over Chicago Market of from \$2 to \$3 per Bbl.

Extra Flour ranges now at from \$8 to \$9.50 per Bbl.

I have the honor to be, Colonel,

Very Respectfully,

Wm. O. S. S. S.

Wm. H. Trust

Chief of Dept.

San Diego, Iowa
April 18th 1868

Geo. H. Bush, being just duly sworn,
deposes & says that, during the summers
of 1863 & 1864, I was connected with the
North Western Indian Expedition under Genl.
Wm. Sully, as clerk in the Subordinate Dept.
And in such capacity had ^{almost daily} ~~practically~~ business
~~intercourse~~ intercourse with General Sully - ~~and~~
~~was familiar with his~~

7450 I have read the statements of Wm. S. Burleigh
Agent for the Yankton Indians in which he characterizes
Gen. Sully "as a man unfit to command troops
in the Indian country", and that his ^{practices} ~~practices~~ of
life are not such as they should be, ~~as~~ as examples
to his subordinate officers & soldiers & to command
exert a good influence upon the minds of the
Indians with whom the troops came in contact.

And have also been informed that he was charged
with habitual drunkenness, rendering him unfit
to perform his duties in a proper manner -

Like almost all Army officers Gen. Sully
is daily in the habit of taking liquor - but I
have seen him at all times of the day &
night & under almost all circumstances
during the two campaigns and I never have
seen him when I thought he was ~~so~~
enough excited by the use of liquors to impair
his mind ^{in the least} or render him unable to attend to
all the duties required of ~~of~~

What his other practices of every day life referred
to by Mr. Burleigh as not good examples for his
subordinates are, I know not - I was one

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of his military family for months and can
say that he was uniformly kind & courteous
to all. ~~and I have by~~ ~~not~~ ~~all around~~
~~him with~~ and I have noticed that he
is familiar with the plans & details of
every Staff department in his command -
himself personally enquiring into the condition
of the supplies at all the posts in his Dist.
and anxious that his men should be well
supplied with everything necessary for their
comfort which the Govt will allow -

In regard to the condition of the Yankton
Indians, I would state that early in June 1863.
about one week after Gen. Sully assumed the
command of this District I was placed in
charge of a large amt of Subs. Stores on board
a fort chartered Steamer, to be delivered at
Fort Randall -

On our way up the river Mr. Braligha the
agent of the Yankton Indians came on board the
boat & proceeded with us as far as his agency.
He asked me to permit him to take off
some of the Stores for the use of the Indians
as they were in a starving condition -
I told him I could not do so - as they were
in my charge, consigned to Ft. Randall -
I had no right to use them - He then tried
to influence me to do so by saying that he
as a Govt agent had a right to the Stores
& that he must have them - I ordered
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July 7 1865.
Capt Goodenough
Please issue a Transferrable pass
for Mr Rust. from Ft Randall to Sioux City he
has the order. I have no pass here & wish him
to change Route I will let down on Spray or
Laramie. Every certain

S Bay,
Capt & arm

H. L. Dr. Michel Expedition
 Camp No 13 Fort July D.T.
 July 30 1865

Extract.

7450
 In the presence of
 the following persons
 to wit:

Captain J. Bagg, U.S.A.
 and the requisite headquarter
 for the H. Kust, citizen, employee
 of the Subistence Department, from
 Fort Rully to Sioux City Iowa.

By command of
 Bvt. Maj. Gen. July
 (Signed) M. Norton
 A.A.G.

A True Copy
 J. Bagg
 Captain

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