

Wash DC.

May 30th 76.

Dear Captain

Yours from ^{Wash DC} ~~Wash DC~~ ^{some} ~~some~~ ^{days} ~~some~~ since. I have read it carefully, but do not see that situated as I am, that I can help in the matter at all - and I fear that any action on my part might be used to the prejudice of the Col, as to my letters to him. I have never written any but proper ones, and if the Consul has stolen them, and ~~perverts~~ perverts their meaning I cannot help it. It is to be hoped that the Colonel will beat those people in the Court and force them to reinstate him, & the US Gov. should ever monitor its rights. though it may be slow at times - I hope that matter will all be settled, and justice done to all - I am very truly yours

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