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Miss Hoorn

New York. Feb'y 18. 1868.

My dear Sir,

In pursuance of views which Mr. Dana and myself laid before the Attorney General, by our letter under date of Nov<sup>r</sup>. 2<sup>nd</sup> of last year a copy of which was transmitted to you by Mr. Stanbery, we arranged with yourself and Genl. Wells that you were to proceed from day to day with the Grand Jury in attendance upon the Circuit Court at Richmond, in the examination of witnesses for the finding of an indictment against Jefferson Davis. The evidence thus taken, whenever, in your and General Wells' opinion, it had sufficiently explored the proofs which were accessible to furnish a reliable and sufficient support for the averment of the overt acts to be laid in the indictment, was to be arranged by you & Genl. Wells in connection with the documentary evidence drawn from the Archive office at Washington, and placed before Mr. Dana and myself for a deliberate and careful consideration in selecting the overt acts, capable of proof in framing the indictment.

It was understood that the examination of witnesses which you commenced while we were at Richmond, might need to be protracted till the middle of December and it was arranged that you should adjourn the grand jury till about the middle of January to afford time for Mr. Dana and myself

New York, Jan 18 1864

My dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed sale of the shares of the Erie Railroad Company. I have the pleasure to inform you that the same have been sold to the Erie Railroad Company for the sum of \$1,000,000. The proceeds of the sale will be applied to the redemption of the bonds of the same company. I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant.

to pass upon the result of your & Genl Wells' labors, and complete the draft of the indictment which would then require to be submitted to the Attorney General and to receive his approval - The adjournment of the grand jury was also thought important to give opportunity to supply further evidence if that already taken by you should not be deemed sufficient or trustworthy -

From the middle of December Mr Dana & myself anxiously expected a report from yourself and Genl Wells upon which we might proceed - We did not feel that we needed to distrust the diligence or thoroughness with which this laborious and responsible duty would be discharged by yourself and Genl Wells, and knew that both of you had many avocations, and it was not till Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> ult. that in a brief note to yourself I intimated our uneasiness at not hearing from you -

Your hurried visit to New York, upon which you merely left with me the unarranged mass of papers which Mr Dana & myself had looked over at Richmond in November, was the only reply to the solicitude expressed in my note, and four weeks have now passed since your visit and I have not yet received any report of the evidence before the grand jury. -

In suggesting as I did in October last to the Attorney General that it would be proper to have an associate counsel in Virginia of ability and ready to devote his attentions to

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The exploration and preparation of the proofs, both for the indictment and the trial, I had in mind both your official engagements and the inability of Mr Dana or myself to undertake or be responsible for these preliminary labors.

We are now within four weeks of the day assigned for the attendance of Mr. Davis for trial, and as far as I am aware, we are in precisely the same position as to preparation that we were in in November last. It is not necessary that I should insist upon what was fully considered when we were at Richmond viz. that the three years within which an indictment can be found is rapidly running out and will expire in April.

In this situation of the case it will be necessary to postpone the day of Mr Davis' attendance till the close of the present term and give notice to his counsel to that effect without delay. This will carry the trial into the summer term of the Court, a delay which cannot, in my judgment now be avoided.

We may, I trust, be able to repair the loss of time which has occurred, in season to procure an indictment which we can properly trust to, within the period of absolute limitation, at least.

I have sent a copy of this letter to Genl. Wells and you and he will probably take occasion to confer with

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months, or less.

I have sent a copy of the letter to your office  
and you will be prepared to receive to confer with

the Attorney General on the subject of the postponement, in  
view of which I have also sent a copy to Mr. Stanbery.

I am yours very truly

Wm. M. Everett.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup>

L. A. Chandler

U. S. Atty

Portland.

The enclosed General on the subject of the proposition  
and of which I have also sent a copy to the General

I am Dear Sir

Yours truly  
Wm. Pitt Rivers

Mr. Pitt Rivers

St. John's Wood

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