

Camp. 161st N.Y. Vols.

Near. New Orleans La. Jan. 16th 1865

Statement.

that while at Baton Rouge La. as 2^d Lieut Co. "K." 161st N.Y. Vols I recd. Letter from. Casanova N.Y. my Home. Stating that my Home was broken up. my hearthstone dishonored. that my children needed some one to care for them. or in other words. that such a man had seduced my wife. this caused me great trouble I was not fit for duty my mind was not on military, but North.

I tendered my Resignation. it went approved as far as Genl. Banks where it was disapproved. the next one met the same result. the third I sent by the Department to the Adjt. Genl. of the U.S. Army. Washington D.C. most respectfully asking an Honorable. discharge from the military service of the U. States

Brigd Genl N.A.M. Dudley then Comdg our Brigade approved all of my Resignation he said that any man whose whole mind was on getting north would not make a good officer in his opinion

Most Respectfully Yours

Obedient Servt Henry O. Jewell