

Thibodaux Jany 27/64

My dear Sir

Your welcome letter of 16<sup>th</sup> inst is at hand & I only wish you would write me a little more frequently.

I am shoving Frank ahead as fast as possible having recommended him for Captain. I hope he will deserve it, as for his going higher for sometime it will not be possible unless bullets cut us down who are above him I hope now that Frank has attained or will attained this rank he will drive around lively & not be like some officers lose all ambition as soon as they have what they wanted. I am glad to hear you have been able to start Harry in some kind of business if only to occupy his time for I know he will be unhappy unless he has something to do. I sincerely hope he & Maynard will succeed in their new undertaking. Still I am sorry to lose him.

I suppose you are busy making up the yearly accounts. I should very much like to hear or see how the business went last year & if you will let Mr. Rumney take off an abstract for me I shall feel much obliged to you.

I cannot think the war is at an end yet. You keep putt off the draft & that discourages us & encourages the rebels. Why do not the Government act at once with energy & decision & send us reinforcements? Give my best love to Mrs. Tiemann & all the Children & remember me to be as ever

Yours  
Edward

J.W. Tiemann