

nel of the First Artillery, and assigned quarters and furnished with new Door-keepers and Pages. Our Sergeant-at-Arms was John L. Buell, Second Lieutenant Fourth Infantry, U. S. A., here we were kept in open session until the 26th of November, when I was invited to return home.

I presumed the object of this was for me to attend an extraordinary session called by the third proclamation of Governor Hicks, to convene at Annapolis, on the third day of December, 1861, which session I attended. What object those who were instrumental in sending me off, as before named, had, I have never been informed of; but as it has always been customary to pay the members of the Legislature four dollars per day and mileage, and when sent off on travelling committees within this State, they were generally paid extra. And whereas, I was placed on this committee without any solicitation or movement on my part; I therefore pray your Honorable Body to consider my case and appropriate and order so much to be paid me as in your judgement you think I ought to have, and I as in duty bound will ever pray.

I remain respectfully your obedient servant,

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