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Confederate States of America,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Richmond, Va. July 6. 1864

Mr Miller:

I did not reply immediately to your last letter because the pressure of public business was so great upon me as to banish all thought of private correspondence. And my recent conversation with your brother makes it perhaps unnecessary for me to write now.

I have not, as he will explain to you, been able to accomplish any thing for you.

But it was not because I had forgotten your wishes or that I felt no interest in them. On the contrary I had made a full statement of your situation & views to the President at the time I had promised to do so. He expressed the kind & friendly feeling which

I had already assured you
that he ~~was~~ ^{was} ~~not~~ ^{not} for you. But
he was not able to suggest
any method of serving you.

My plan for the pay-
masters appointment in the Navy
he considered impracticable
because of the rule which
has been adhered to for
some time of giving such
places only to those who
are actually & physically
disqualified for service in
the field.

Trusting that you may
in the future find your
present position more agree-
able, or that some practicable
opening may offer by which
to escape from it. I am,

very respectfully,
Yours truly

Sergt Major
George Miller

Rustin N. Harrison

Confederate States of America,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
(Official Business.)



Burton N. Harrison,
4 July 1864.

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Capt: Major: George Miller
2^d Miss Regt Vols
Davis Brigade. Heths Divis
Army N. Va