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Albion W. Frazier, Esq.

My dear Comrade:- Your very kind letter and Souvenir ^{Came} duly to hand yesterday and the latter shall place in a case in Museum and same will be on exhibition. Thanks! Believe I have read all or nearly so of your published writings - all at least that I could get hold of. I take pride in the well doing of fellow soldiers and particularly those who were prisoners of war. It's something like some particular member of a family distinguishing him or herself, the rest being content to not amount to very much because of that one's success. I sincerely hope that you may live long and enjoy both full, with others, the talent that you possess.

It may be that my little paper will stop publication May 1st 95. My lease of this place runs only to that date. While I am trying as hard as I can to get lease of ground and Museum for a term of years it is doubtful whether I can or not. The Association want me to have it, but premises are valuable, and for lack of money on my part it may revert to other uses. It's a pity too for the place is a wonderfully interesting and instructive one. The Chronicle is well thought of and well patronized considering what a little sheet it is and a monthly as well. If made a weekly and enlarged, with proper management, it could be made a great success. Shall regret very much its discontinuance. With your kind permission I

shall be pleased to make mention in ~~the~~ April No. of your short
letter to me speaking of your 25th birthday as having been spent in
Lisby.

Very Truly Yours

John S. Ransom

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