1263 Curtis Ave

Cleveland Ohio

A. N. Turgee Esq March 8th 1895

Dear Sir

I wish to express to you in my poor language the pleasure I have taken in reading your Story of "the Thousand."

One record it has given me great interest is because it so trufully tells the story of other thousands out of which I was a unit.

John Kagi of whome you speak in the opening Chapter worked for my father at Chagrin Falls. I was at that time what then was called a "little shaver" but in this day "a kid".

My Father Carried on the Mfg of Wagons & John Kagi Worked in the Blacksmith Shop. often I was sent to call him to dinner and I could just reach the door latch by standing on tip-toe and push it up with my fingers Ends. and so open the door.

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At Eaving time after the days work was over John Kagi would take me on his knee and hold his silver watch to my Ear and ask what it said I would say it says, John Kagi, John Kagi John Kagi, and so when I read your Story this all Came back to my mind so vivid and plain when I had not thought of it for years.

The writer was a unit of one other thousand whas Story is so Similar almost Exactly like the 105th Eight Company of the Sixth O.V.C. was recited and Camped at Warren, O.

Musted into the U.S. Service Dec 1st. 61 Sent to Camp Denison intill March then to Camp Chase at Columbus intill May. not wanting any Cavalry but wanting Infantry and holding out offers for the men to reculish. finaly in May they wer orderd to Wheeling W.Va

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to be Equiped and Sent to the front.

One Saturday we drew horses Saddles and Equipments and the next day one Company D. was put aboard Cars and started for the front to join Fremont then at Franklin W. Va one Co could only be Sent at a time for lack of transportation on the road Carbines of an old fashion was issued. Sabers. Revolvers as well.

At New Creek we debarked from the Cars, then Comenced a march throug a mountain Country to Franklin swarming with the then famious Black Horse Cavalry. the rawest of green troopers its often been a wonder to me we were not taken in and Sent to Richmond.

one night a Franklin. then Pushed forword or rather backword to Moorfield then to Strausburg when we Struck the Enimy on the memorable Chase that Fremont gave Jackson up the Shanadoah valley Ending with the Battle of Cross Keys

In the advance a detail of 100 had been placed under an Station of Fremonts Stoff and placed in the Advance just before we struck the Enemeys Cavalry at Strawsburg he came riding back through the ranks saying "Men are you ready the Enemy is at hand."

Thanking you for the pleasure I have taken in reading your story and trusting I have not wired you with this long drawn out letter

I remain most Respectfully Yours
Charles F. Wolcott

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