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Warren O Jany 11/96

My Dear Tourgee

I would Enquer relative to Maner of Publishing Book, do they print in 1000 Editions, if McGerold & Son would halt at the first 1,000 and allow the Comette to decide as to the additional 500 we ordered. for this reason I have been quite active in reaching the Comrads & find a considerable percent dont care to invest or put me off with, they would see about it in the future & other Excuses the Sales outside the Regtl friends is quite limited. If an arrangent can be effected as above requested please write me & oblige Yours truly

W H Forbis

I like the history verry much it is put up in better shape in Literary & Publishing than any other Regtl History I have Ever seen. My better half & that dear Sister low guy me considerable about being Connected with The Foraging & leading in the Prayer Meeting, it

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does look inconsistant but I did both with a clear conscence. In your comments on foraging in S.C. we simply did what the other confederate states, — or a goodly proportion of them who wanted the leading states in this treasonable undertaking to bear a few jant in the cruelties of war we complied with these expressed desires to the best of our ability in the few days we sojourned in the land of the Palmetto, and thereby earned the thanks of the aforesaid. The inhumanity came about in this way there was many details of legalized foragers started out every morning. The first to reach a plantation would load up & leave an abundance but the many squads following the same route would keep abstracting. So that when the army came up the Independent foragers would enter the houses & take things of no real utility to them, simply because there was nothing else left.

As for ungentlemen conduct I had only to threaten to arrest one member fun. co. C I think I had good opportunities to learn that our Regt was marvelly above the average. ill close this brief note with

Kind regards

W H Forbis

did you ship any books to Cummings if not ill fill the order from here

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