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My dear Sir

I will write you a short letter now, and a long one. By day I reached this place on the 29th July - and yesterday saw Mr Marcy - with my papers he rec^d me. respectfully - sat down and began about my Hard Table at Tampier - then asked for my papers. Books &c I came out with my receipts - which contained the Blank receipts of May Dorhule - instead of the original ones - no matter now. I called for the Monthly Statements - and found all safe - that for June - was \$32,000 - and your statement 30,000 - all right by day I asked for his clerk to tell - In one hour we returned to him with a report that all was correct & complete - Every cent accounted for beautifully - I then said - "Your report kills all evil tales of my pocketing the revenue" - He looked queer - I asked if he had not in "evil reports" he replied - "Some Affairs" - "Then Sir" I said I did care not - now if they be afoot

"high on your table" he ~~insisted~~ - He asked
if I had taken a division of the seignior &
I replied "No Sir" - as they had done every where
in Mexico. They divided at Losa Cruz - 58 times
"Oh!" said he. "Well I do not know if I shall
order you to refund - but will see. When
the accounts are settled" - "There never
were honest men - more depriving. than
Mr. P. Horn stealing of the tithes, divided in that
way. for God knows. He had good works
he said. You had no right to divide", the
Tarrif said. so too" - I rejoined "Yes Sir - but
the Law says - divide. There was no law
in the case he said - I told a lie. The Laws
of Congress March 3 1897 - were in my hands
and my only guide. as the Tarrif only
said "Confiscate" &c" so I put him to it
hard - finally said. "then do you condemn
my Judgment of the Oregon ^{Act} if you do ~~then~~
the phoe of the proceeds must ^{be} returned for
he was stampeded - and said. "he will see
to that" - I expect the Com^{tee} of Ways & Means will
~~prop~~ a bill concerning this Mexican Money
the manner of settling it. To day. they have
referred to consider the matter - and there
rests the whole subject. The Auditor will
not touch at all - and so the President

is in a dilemma - what to do with the funds
congr. will have nothing to do with Revenue
collected of Rev "Citizen in Mexico". My opinion
is - that all will rest in a state of inactivity -
and the accounts - die away - The Genl. asked
for my city acc^{ts}. I told him. The Comm^{tee} had
settled them - But said he "the money you rec^d
after the Comm^{tee} had been broken up."

"What did you say I" do you wish to see such small
"matters" - "Why Yes" said he. if ever here how any
considerable sum put into your hands? - Mr Taylor
reported that I had jobbed. a good deal - fine
fellow. he. Well say there is the whole acc^{ts}
receipts &c - leaving \$155.52 due to me - "do you
include your salary of \$200. he asked. with an
arched look - I frown. and said "Certainly"
Here I set out. I told him the Gov^t gave it -
he said what yourself - "Most surely" was my reply
I had a right. to draw. and mean to keep
it. until the Cong^{ress} say "no" - I was right
mea - and he turned off - I got in a high
fever - and met him. socially - and finally
asked - if he ever saw \$840.000. amount for in
such short time" he said. Very well say
I presented the papers of my Dr^s "Rations" and
he signed it. and giving me 30 day leave
I left him - He had an Appeal. from Wally
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Siouxenberg. about the sugar - but he
can do nothing with it. So it rest. - Now
I shall have an. writes I learn some
things further. It is said the Revenue is
to be put into the Public Chest and account
ted for as other Revenue - but the Pres. can't
get it into the Chest. Now the Sec^y has not
given me any order at all - please write
again - early. He wants the whole of the
Rev^y Books & Papers - temporal please send
them to me at Old Point Fort Monroe
via Mr. Brewer care of J. Mott -
"Mr. Chas" Adams - on resting let with the
Com - as I know. I have spoken to Senator
to do something about them and he used
but do not rely on his help. Politicians
social is - well - just rec^d Amelia's letter
she sends her love to Tom. W. C. and
Amelia. Little too is in fine. Harriet sends
love to Patsy -

Respectfully but ever
yours -

Mary
"J. Adams"