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Dear Miss Tarbell

Your letter of Nov. 23d was duly rec'd. and I waited to meet some of the old Soldiers who surendered at Appamattocks. before writing you. Genl. Grant in the Kindness of his great heart gave such transportation as he had at Comm- and to those who lived South & West of the Missi. River. But the Virginia & Maryland Soldiers had to walk home as best they could. I fear the Disconnected account I gave you when I had the pleasure of forming your acquaintance will be of little use to you. but if it is you are perfectly welcome to use it as you see proper. I had no idea at the time of it going into print you must fix it up. The Soldiers from Texas had a hard time getting home as

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after they Crossed the Miss. River they were entirely without Transportation and had to walk to Texas - or get there the best they Could = The Virginia Soldiers had a hard time for they all had to walk - and the County had been Completely devastated in rear of the Armies and to get Something to eat was nearly impossible - But they were so happy the war was over - they seemed to forget the hard ships they went through - Genl. Grant generously allowed the Cavalry to Keep their horses - and Such as were able to take them rode them home - Hoping this may give you and idea of what you want -

I am Yours Very Respectfully

Saw Talliaferro

P.S. You can use my Name if you Wish