Brazos St-Iago May 26th 1847.

Dear Father Sir

I received a letter from you in connexion with one from mother and Charlott saying you were still ill You mentioned in yours as to Frazier not but as I am in portion which I cant pay proper attention to it at present as I think there is no difficulty if I did not send immediately for it I wish you to write me in particular as you can when civil business can be attended to with more promtness and what I shall do But I suppose if I send you my discharge you can send it to the man in Washington who has been appointed to the settling of such claims There is no civil way of transacting business and for this reason I cannot see to it until I can know to and finally I am in the dark as to what course to take also after I receive a letter from you will act accordingly without delay. It is not for myself that I feel so anxious it is for you as I am over indebted to you for my relief and the moment I get informed by you or get informed myself shall send for it We are now embarked on board Brig Austin for Vera Cruz Then will land and expect you all on the same and no prospect of any peace as I understood Gen Patterson has been ordered home with with you to show to you that what I stated in a

a letter to you once when I was coming down from Camargo. that he is not fit for the Station which he occupies and there are many men I could mention whome are no better qattyfied for this Station than he was

Yours Truly
Josiah P. Chadbourne
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N. B. Any Lieut rank in this 10 Regiments is 61 and in my Regt 5th which will illustrate to you that I rank all of the 2nd Lieut in the 9th but 4 and all of the whole 10 except 40. This it is supposed was drawn by a lottery in Washington

Lieut J. P. Chadbourne