

see nothing to prevent you. It would I think no explanation
- If the Secretary of War sanctions Mr. Higgins in his objec-
tions the State will lose about \$50,000. If he however
determines, as I think he will, that the vouchers as
papered by the Executive are sufficient, this truly unple-
-asant business (at least to me) could in a few days be
brought to a close - I should like to receive a line or two
from you as soon as convenient - That you may have
a full and complete idea of the nature of the military
expenditures I have made out rough copies from the respec-
-tive accounts on file and now enclose them to you

Your sincere friend

To Hon^{ble}
John L. New

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