

and advantage to your fellow-citizens as chief magistrate, and with that event you were personally connected, both as combatant on the ill-fated field and as a sufferer by the destruction of property in the city. Taking all these reasons into consideration, I think you will at least excuse your old companion in arms for publicly offering you this testimonial of his esteem and friendship.

J. S. WILLIAMS.

WASHINGTON, Oct 1, 1856.