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Louisville and Portland Canal.

Louisville, Ky. October 8 1894

Mrs. S. C. Doane

Bozeman, Mont.

My dear Madam:

Some months ago I addressed a letter to you and as I have received no answer I take it for granted that it miscarried. I am at work on a history of the Yellowstone National Park, and as your late husband was a very prominent part in that history I desire to obtain any facts relating to his connections with it. If you have anything whatever bearing any bearing upon the subject I should be greatly obliged to you for it. In particular I should like to get a concise biographical sketch of Lieut. Doane, giving his birth, death, and the principal events of his life. May I ask you to assist me in this matter. Have you a good photograph of Lieut. Doane which I could use for a time in case I wished to place his portrait in my work? I should not wish for it for some months to come. Lieut. Doane's work in the Park was of the first importance and I desire to give it the prominence it deserves.

Very truly yours

Frederick A. Chittenden

Plant City, Fla. April 5th 1937.

Mrs. G. C. Deane,
Bozeman,
Montana.

Dear Madam:-

I was for five years a member of F company 2nd U.S. Cavalry at Fort Ellis, and Your Husband was our 2nd Lieutenant, and I was Discharged August 1st 1875. I have often thought of him and wished him well for I liked and respected him. I am now 87 years of age.

Mrs John L Hastings of 817 Curtis Street Berkeley California gave your address and she sent me a Photograph of The company, but it was one made after my discharge so I had a copy made and am today returning the picture she sent to me.

I doubt that you have a copy of the one I want; but if you have and will loan it to me I will return it to you, and if you will put a price I will return it when I return the photograph.

I think the Photograph was made in 1873 or 1874 possibly in 1875. I believe it was made South of the Officers Quarters, and I think all three of our officers were in it.

I hope you are enjoying good health.

P.S. I was Post Librarian and carried the mail to and from Bozeman daily, for a year or so until discharged.

Respectfully,
James D. Smith
Box 183, Plant City,
Florida.

ROBERT BRUCE

18 OLD SLIP, NEW YORK CITY

December 27, 1927

Mrs. Mary L. Doane,

Bozeman, Mont.

Dear Mrs. Doane:

No doubt you received back the book you loaned; and in the same condition as it reached this office, as I sent it the same way, by parcels post insured.

The special object of this letter, however, is to give you whatever satisfaction there may be in having the enclosed photostat print of a letter from W. H. Jackson, who remembers Lt. Doane--and is generally known as the pioneer photographer of the Yellowstone. Jackson is now about 84, but spent most of last summer in Wyoming, and looked very well indeed when he passed through here in September, en route from the West to Washington.

I also enclose photostat[†] print showing how I have combined into one drawing four illustrations in the Government report you loaned me--and of which I afterward secured a copy for myself. The text matter will be sent underneath, and the whole brought out in good shape in any new edition of the Custer booklet, which I hope will be called for at least by next spring.

If my memory serves, I asked when returning your book, if you could loan me a photograph of Lt. Doane as far as possible back to 1876. Do not recall having heard from you on that point, and might add that no risk is run so long as they safely reach this office. The enclosed may be retained, as of course I have the originals.

Yours very truly,



Annapolis Hotel
Washington D.C.
December 26, '27.

Mr. Robert Bruce
18 Old Slip
New York City.

Dear Mr. Bruce:

I expect to be in New York from January 7th to the 15th when I hope to have the pleasure of meeting my many good friends and to have Mr Baiseley included among them; after so long a period of endeavor we surely ought to meet each other.

Maj. Powell, is right; He was an artillery officer in the civil war and lost an arm in one of the great battles. I am sorry I haven't his biography at hand for further details, but this much probably will answer your purpose.

I am intersted in what you write about Mrs. Geo.C.Doane. I remember the Lieut. very well. He escorted the Washburn-Langford Yellowstone expedition of 1870, and was also with our expedition in 1871. He appears in a group of officers that I photographed at Ft.Ellis that year. (By the way I have found one of my old photographs of Ft.Ellis. I will take it with me when I go to New York.) Lieut. Doane was highly esteemed by the members of our party, not only as an officer, but for his fine comradeship in camp, as well.

I shall be glad to look over the Black Hills booklet you are preparing; in the meantime I will be looking around for Motor Travel, perhaps I may run across a copy.

With all the compliments of the season, I am,

Yours sincerely,

W. S. Jackson

Hon Robert Adams Jr.

It was my
pleasure to have met you, in
company with my late Husband
Capt G. C. Doane in Philadelphia
in spring of 1879 - & know that
you were with the Geological
Survey, & associated with Capt
Doane, (thru his name) during the
Summer of 1871 & find^{ing} my
self in need of ~~help~~ ^{some} ~~one~~ ^{one} who
~~I could know him.~~ ~~because~~ ~~I & I~~
hope will be sufficient excuse
for my addressing you -

To be perfectly frank ~~I am~~
I said in need of help ~~and~~
~~and I shall~~ ~~offer~~ I like many
other Army widows am left with
little in the way of support, &
have with the assistance of
friends made an effort for a
Special Pension. An Act 26/1902
Senator J. A. Clark of Montana
introduced Senate Bill 4758 -
for my relief, asking a
Special Pension of \$3000 - this
Bill passed the Senate on April
18th, & was referred to the
House Committee on Pensions
where it still remains -
I am told that such bills need
friends to push them through the
Committee & since I come to you

For assistance. May I ask you
kindly interest in my behalf at
this time. Hon Caldwell Edwards U.C.
from Montana will do all he can, but
I need more, & if you can & will
kindly confer with him I am
sure he will give the merits of the
case.

I am dependent upon my own
resources, & have my aged Mother
to support. I do what I can as a
Kindergarten teacher, but feel the
additional sum proposed would be
a great assistance & would be very
highly appreciated.

Senators Clark & Gibson of Montana,
Senator Perkins of Cal. & Senator
Proctor of Vermont gave me valuable
assistance in the Senate hence the
Bill was but a few days passing thro
the hands of the Senate Committee,
that body. I feel sure I will not
~~have appealed to you in vain.~~

May I ask & hope for your very
kindly assistance in this
matter.

Very sincerely —

Hon. Eugene F. Land.

Dear Sir,

~~My introduction~~
to you must be enclosed Record Book
which I have every reason to believe
was a companion of yours ~~the~~ ~~entire~~
of the day the year 1862 & perhaps
after, must serve as an ~~introduction~~
& reason why seeing assistance in
addressing you - I am the Widow of
Gustavus C. Boone, who was one
of you in the Pers. Army Battalion, or
as I understand of the "Col. Hundred"
who ^{later} joined part of the 2nd Mass
Cavalry - ~~and~~ I am like many
widows left ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~title~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~way~~
of support & home with the assistance
of friends made an effort for a
Special Pension & to be frank I
need the help of friends in the
House of Representatives & home always
felt I could go to the men who
were comrades in Arms. Whether I
knew them or not, so it is ^{not} I come to
you, & ask may I hope for your
kindly assistance at this time -
I am entirely dependent upon my
own resources ~~outside~~ ~~for~~ & have
my Mother to support. I do what
I can in my small way as a
Kindergarten teacher, but yet I find
~~it hard not being strong to make~~
~~things meet.~~

but feel the additional amount
proposed, would be a very great
help & would be much appreciated.
~~Capt Doane gave~~ I leave Capt
Doane's record to speak for its
self - Au Arch 26/1902

The Senator W. A. Clark of
Montana introduced a Bill in the
Senate, Bill No 4758 - asking for
a special Pension for \$30,000. This
Bill passed the Senate the 18th of
April, & was referred to the "House
Committee on Revolved Pensions",

where it still remains.

Hon Caldwell Edwards ^{in c} of Montana
is my warm personal friend
who has known me since a child
will ~~not~~ will do all he can -

will I am sure tell you as to the
merits of the case. May I ask that
you confer with him, & assist him in
my behalf in this matter. I am told

it needs friends to push such bills
through the committee, ^{body} hence I ask

feeling sure I have not appealed to
you in vain - Senator Perkins ^{Cal}

Senator Proctor ^{Vermont}, Senator Clark & Gibson
of Montana, & Senator Turner of

Washington gave me their kindly
assistance in the Senate, hence the
bill was but a few days passing ~~from~~
through the hands of the committee, & through
that body -

Very Respectfully & Sincerely

Wm. H. Doane