telegraph are still open to the South, conveying every item of intelligence daily to the enemy's headquarters; while not a word of their operations is received here without inspection: Why open intercourse is permitted between Baltimore & Norfolk by sea — Why provisions are allowed to be sent through Kentucky to the South — Why the troops are not recalled from New Mexico and Arkansas.

Sup. I do understand that. It is because every contractor are making fat jobs by carrying pi[illegible] which will be seized by the Cherokees, Choctaws & other slave holding Indian tribes on the frontier where the copartners of Mr Cameron in the transaction will get pay or damages in either case; delivery or loss.

But I must close.

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