Rumor has it here that Morgan was made Major General to fit him to slip into the Shoes of Gibson the Commissary General just dead — I suppose that Seward would not object as it would remove their most powerful Competitor in this State — How do you the fancy the appointment of Wm K. Strong took merchant to be Brigadier General — he also seeks to be Commissary Genl. without an adherent or element of strength and popularity he cooly says that he did not seek the place but that the people forced him to take it — The people —

I must Congress will put an end to all this business and really inefficient as the beggars were I look forward to their meeting with some hope and almost expect that Abe will be compelled to resign before January and the Cabinet to leave — Chase opened his eyes when I cooly enunciated this view of things but I am determined to let them have a few very plain truths whenever I find a Chance — I shall not cry Peccavi to any of that crew — I hope McClellan is on the wing and that he will strike hard and often — Have you received your appointment yet — Very faithfully Yours

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