

Office of the Surveyor  
Fort Smith Ark  
Sept 25th 1860

My dear friend

I enclose herewith the Certificate of  
John O. Rice agent for Insurance at New York for  
\$10000.00 made Jan'y 25th 1859. by George H. H. H.  
Sims for me & Rice. My draft on thump for  
that amount was charged by Rice with  
my Check. He informed me that the amt had  
been placed to my Cr in the Treasury at  
Washington this fact not being known to my  
Clerk he did not Cr me in my accounts  
with the amt. and only ascertained the fact  
when he made the settlement with the act  
Insurance at New York and found me  
charged with \$1000. which he knew nothing  
of. The Check having been drawn in great  
Rice's name on my Cr. I have  
inclosed herewith a statement of the

to convey which I wish you to accept  
and to let me at your earliest convenience  
of your attention & this will bring me  
under your protection of obligation.

Your friend truly  
John M. T. [unclear]

John M. T. [unclear]  
Washington D.C.

PS I received at home in good  
health and found my [unclear] all  
well my [unclear] [unclear] from  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]