

Chester, C. H., March 16<sup>th</sup> 1865

To his excellency

Gov. A. G. Magrath,

Gov. My Father,

(Col. A. T. Dunovant) who is now very ill, (suffering from an attack of Pneumonia), previous to his illness, engaged a man, to act as courier, who has failed to report, therefore your papers, and despatches, have been delayed. I avail myself of the opportunity, of sending them, by a responsible gentleman, who is going to leave for Union to day, — He will deliver them to Col Dawkins. It is almost impossible to secure couriers, horses being so scarce, but your despatches will be forwarded as speedily as possible.

I remain very respectfully yours  
William Dunovant