

The State of South Carolina
Executive Department
Spartanburg. C.H. Feb. 27th 1865

My dear Sir

My Kerrison is on his way to Columbia charged by me with special despatches to the Mayor of that City, for the purpose of obtaining that information, which will enable me to do what I can in giving relief to the people of that City.

Mr. Kerrison may and will probably need assistance in getting to Columbia. Should this be so, you will do what you can to secure his expeditious transit to his place of his destination. For the present, the Head Quarters of the State will be at this place. It is very desirable that you should keep with me frequent communications by which I may be informed of the condition of public matters in your part of the State. The interruption of all State modes of communication has rendered it necessary for me to the establishment of Courier lines. These will pass through Newberry and will afford you frequent means of communication with me.

Respectfully

Col. L.J. Jones
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P.S. I have sent with this to you a letter to Mr Lake a copy of which I intend to send to such persons in the State as may be willing & able to respond to the call. You will do me the favor to read the letter & then deliver it to Mr Lake. From its location and other circumstances Newberry will probably be one of the points from which the largest proportions of supplies, at least for the present for the present, can be drawn. I will be glad that would give all the assistance you can to the speedy and successful accomplishment of this charitable purpose.