

Richmond June 4th 1878

Dear Father

After leaving you so early
in the morning & so unceremoniously,
I reached Indianapolis about half
past three in the evening, making quite
a quick trip of it, but an exceedingly
hard one for my poor flesh &
bones were sadly bruised, by
the continual jolting & jarring
of this miserable vehicle, worse than
a cart. By reason of several courts
being in session & well as the
Grand Lodge of Freemasons, I found it
impossible to get a room at any
public place in the city & was
under the necessity of sponging on
my friends to that extent.
I witnessed the Masonic Celebration
procession & was exceedingly
disgusted with the whole concern
more especially by the lame
defence of Masonry, by the Orator
for the day. He said among
other absurd things that he "had not
understood or appreciated the bible

till he had become a Mason?
& further, "that it was impossible to
understand portions of it, without the
aid of masonry." He is a Churchman
& a Minister of the Gospel!! I thought his
name is Foster - I was surprised
to see Judge Morrison in the
procession. I called at Morrisons
& gave him your message, did
not see much of him as he appeared
to be constantly engaged - His house
was full of Todds as it usually
is & I did not stay about there
much - Heard of our folks, they
made but a short stay.
I left there on Thursday after supper
traveled all night reached here
next morning & got right into
business & difficuly. The first
night after my arrival was called
to see a woman who had been
consulted over & thought to be dying
I relieved her of great suffering in
five minutes by removing a
depression which was most
unaccountably overlooked by
her physicians - The doctor
turned off - & the whole town
set to talking & I think I have

secured the good will & patronage
of the whole connexion & they are now
having. My health is not quite
so good a little more Cough
than I had at home

I have a call just now & the mail
starts soon -

Love to all. - Aunt Abby I have
not forgotten you I shall send
you a letter in a few days

A. Myl D.D.



Yours faithfully

J. A. Myl



Handwritten notes and signatures in the bottom right corner, including a vertical list of names and a signature that appears to be 'J. A. Myl'.

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the result of the investigation. I am, however, confident that the facts are as stated in the report. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours,
 J. W. Smith

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Dec. 8. 1882.
A. H. Lie & Co.
Bloomington
Indiana

