

His Excellency,
A. J. Magrath,
Sir,

I beg leave respectfully
to apply for a detail to perform
Patrol duty in the neighborhood
of Stateburg, Sumter District S.C.
On the following grounds - (Viz)
Within a circle of five
miles, making my plantation
the Centre, there are about
Twenty five hundred Slaves.

W. E. Richardson and A.
Norris are at least sixty five
years old, and are the oldest
men in the boundary specified
above, the latter of them has
been an invalid for the
last two or three months.

I am the next oldest white
man, being in my fifty
years.

I have only two sons,
both of whom are in
Confederate Service on the
Coast near Charleston, I have
for two years past managed
the planting interest of my
son James, he has thirty five
Slaves, and there is no white
person on his place. I also
manage my own planting
interest, I have one hundred
and fifteen Slaves, and
work sixty six hands.

My daughter Susan,
(Nineteen years old) has had
Rheumatism for four years
and is still a great sufferer,
is as helpless as an infant,
her limbs being contracted.

It is a matter of regret
to me to be under the necessity
of making this application,

but in addition to what I
have stated, I have consider-
-able trouble in my Chest on
the left side, it is of Eight
years standing. besides, I
am Chronisy and unfit
for Service.

Respectfully Submitted,
James M. Caldwell.

South Carolina }
Sumter District }

Personally appeared
before me Isaac A. Cozier
Maj^r Genl. James M. Caldwell
who being duly sworn made Oath
that the foregoing statements are ^{true}
to the best of his Knowledge and
belief.
Sworn to this } James M. Caldwell
12th day 1865 }
Isaac A. Cozier
Maj^r Genl.