

will be entirely conven-
ient & agreeable & also
that we may hope to see
you & your family in St-
Louis, in a special visit
to us -

I am with highest
Respect, yours sincerely
Octavia Poff Brooks
(Mrs Judah Brooks)
3336 Morgan St
St Louis Mo.

St Louis Mo. Sept 2-

His Excellency Elias Linn
Gov. of North Carolina

Dear Sir - Your
Your kind favor
was received & truly appreciat-
ed - & was a real help in
regard to the matter in hand
We hope that you & yours
are well & happy, & that
when your term of office
expires you will bring your
family to St-Louis, & take
a good "rest" with us before
you begin again - Our
relations in the Grand
& Good old North State
seem very near us, & scarcely

a day of my life has passed
with some allusion to
them.

Like the "Cannet & the
Miller" in the fable, we are
emboldened to ask just as
far as we can - but do not
trouble yourself in the least -
I feel ashamed to impose
on Kindness, again, but
there is a controversy going
on in ^{certain} literary circles in
regard to the fact that
my late grandfather

Col. Ezekiel Polk was
a commissioned captain
in the Army of S. Carolina.
This original Document prior
to the war, was in the possession
of my mother (& many have
seen it) who has testified
to the fact before a notary.

Unfortunately this paper was
lost, or ^{stolen} otherwise destroyed after
the occupation of our town
by the Federals.

He was "commissioned a
Capt. by the Council of
Safety of South Carolina
in a regiment of Rangers
commanded by Col. Wm.
Thompson on June 18th
1775."

Now the fact we
wish to ask is that you
will ask the Gov. of S.
Carolina if there ^{are} records to
that effect. We understand
that many of the State
Records have been lost.
I will of course gladly pay
any expense attending to this
request, by the entire est-
ablishing that you will