

Captain Thos. Sparrow

Phil: Jan'y 22nd/12

My Dear Sir

I have this evening rec'd. your favor of
Jan'y 20th and at the same moment a letter from
Washington stating that an order for your exchange
would be issued by the State Department without
delay. It gives me great pleasure to receive this
intelligence, and knowing that as a prisoner,
you may not have command of funds, (a position
in which my own Son was placed) I have thought
it better, knowing that you will appreciate my
object, to enclose you twenty five dollars which
will bring you to Phil'a to my house. In my letter from
Washington, I am informed that the order for your
parole will be sent to Fort Warren without delay,
but much delay may be created by your going by sea,
I therefore suggest that you should if possible come
by land route. I hope before long to see you here,
& as mentioned in my previous note, you will
have no trouble, so far as I am concerned, in
returning to your home. Respcy. & Kindly
Yrs: James Markoe