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My dear Governor -

Not having heard from
you since we parted a week ago -
fearing that your "chill" may have
staid by you - I write to ask how
you are, & to say "God bless you!"
I am sorry that I can't write you
a "jossipy" letter, & give you some news,
but everything is so frightfully dull, that
there is really nothing of interest worth
telling you - Gen Russell acted to my
satisfaction: my promptly in my letter
expressing my desire to surrender the
office of Ad. Sec. & has appointed, or
rather directed Major Hayes, to act
as Ad. Sec. until he can look
around & select a man. Who
The fortunate (!) individual will be

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I do not know, but it will be a race I
think between Crauer & Winslow. ???

I quit the office on the morning of the 14.th &
propose to stay "quit," until the King enjoys
his own again. As to the "magnificent
Reception" by the Capital Club: I have heard
so many queer statements that they are not
worth repeating; I did not attend & con-
-sequently, of my own knowledge, don't know
what the deal they did. There was an
effort made to show that the officers of the
"General Staff" had treated the "Club" dis-
-countenancing, in not being present &c. I
was interviewed on the subject & stated
very briefly & plainly that it was impos-
-sible for the officers of the General Staff either
to accept or decline an invitation
which they had never received. Whereupon

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The clamor ceased-- The legislature
is balloting to day for U.S. Senator - Pitchford
seems to be ahead, but there there is no
talking - I hope that you reached home
safely & found all well. & are yourself all
right again - I had a letter from Mrs Cameron
yesterday informing me that the "grippe" was raging
out in Ala. & that she had been down with
it for a week. Several deaths have occurred
here since you left, & our friend Dr. Marshall
is now very ill. Please remember me most
warmly to Mrs Carr & the rest of the family.
& hoping soon to grasp your hand again, I
am as ever my dear Governor.

Faithfully Yrs friend.

F. H. Cameron

P.S.

When you visit Raleigh. come straight to
my "bungalow."