

Phila. Feby 10th 1896

Dear Cousin

Enclosed please find
Check for 5.74 for dividends on
Piano Stock for Jan 1895 2.87
Also for Div " July " 2.87
5.74

I did not send it after the
July dividend was collected on acct
of the smallness of the amount, but
thought I would wait for the Jan
dividend of this year, and when
the time came the Company did
not make any dividend on account of
the pecuniary condition of the Country
at that time, and their inability to
collect money owing to them, the President
of the Co said that they were never
in better condition than they are
now, and that the above stated

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the
of the interest of the Company but
I have not been able to find out
of this matter and will be glad
to hear from you again.
Very respectfully,
J. W. [Name]

stated reasons were the real cause
of their passing the dividend at
this time, it is the first time
they have missed paying a div.

For at least twenty five years.
Will you state these facts to
your numerous brothers and sisters
when an opportunity offers, as I am
a little pressed for time and can
not go into the details so fully to
Each one.

Your Cousin
Alex; D. Stockton
510 N. 4th St.

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