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President Lincoln writes to Major John Key and explains why he ordered Key's dismissal. Lincoln writes, "I...fear[ed] that there was a class of [army] officers...who were playing a game to not beat the enemy when they could, on some peculiar notion...of saving the Union; and when you were proved to me, in your own presence, to have avowed yourself in favor of that 'game,' and did not attempt to controvert the proof, I dismissed you as an example...to that supposed class."



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