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His Excellency Mr. McKinley, President. U.S.A.
Dear Sir. Hoping you will pardon this seemingly
presumption of mine in addressing you at this
time, when you have read this communication
Some 3 years past an old Colored Soldier
who served Co B. 30 Maryland Colored Co
Came to my place and asked me to fill out
his application for a pension. I did so, and
sent his papers to Col. Lockwood U. S. Pension
agent at Washington, who presented his claim
after presenting said claim, and evidence
an order came for him to come to Baltimore
for an Examination. but two days before he
received the notice he died. His widow who is
poor, and has to maintain an aged mother
and an Aunt old and infirm by her daily labor
asked me to make an application for a widows
pension. I did so through the same attorney
outside of the Physicians evidence on file in
regard to the cause of his death we presented
the evidence of the Second Sergeant of his Co
whos evidence if you will condescend to examine
it certainly should be conclusive evidence. But
because she cannot find another similar
this poor Colored woman must be debarred
Her husband Philip Scott was shot through the
neck at the terrible battle of Petersburg Va
and also smothered there, as the proof