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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,  
WASHINGTON.

Mr. Starr, (No. 224582) May 15, 1906.  
Manager Barnum and Bailey,  
Greatest Show on Earth,  
Baltimore, Md.

Dear sir:

Believing that there are many things to be learned in regard to up to date methods of moving men, animals and baggage by an observation of your methods, Major I. W. Littell, Quartermaster, U. S. A., has been detailed by the War Department to accompany your organization from Baltimore to Canal Dover, Ohio, for the purpose of studying your methods and reporting the same to the Department.

This will introduce Major Littell and I beg to assure you that the Department will greatly appreciate any courtesy you may be able to extend which will enable the Department to obtain the information desired.

Very respectfully,

C. & R-M

*B. F. Humphrey*  
Quartermaster General, U. S. Army.