Mr J. H. Allen

Dear Sir

I was in receipt of your favour some ten days ago — I have misplaced the Book that I made the notes in relative to your Brother D. Allen request — but can give you in substance and am willing to take an oath that he said to me this — (viz) he D. Allen said to me in Stockton July 13th 1850 see and ask my Brother if he has received a power of Attorney from me to draw the pay or certificate for services in the Inner Expedition under Somerville and if he has not write me at Stockton, and he would sign or make him another & did so — on my return I read it to you — & also after writing it I read it to him & he said all right — This is all I know relative to an answer to your letter, if I can in any way serve you in procuring the Admin Certificate call on me

Yours Respy John F Torrey

Sept 8th 1855