

**L-J Ltr 18 Apr 1862**

THE SOUTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANIES

Received at Staunton Apl 18th 1862

By Telegraph from Richmond To Maj Harrison

Send the following to Genl E. Johnson Viz-

Keep in communication with Genl Jackson. Send back surplus ammunition  
and stores to Charlottesville.

Be prepared if necessary to retire to Staunton and Hold the Blue Ridge east of that place

R E Lee