

Arrange this matter if you can to have us on the ground
in ten or 15 d

Belfast April 23 1861

Dear Sir

I wish to enquire if the
company which I am raising will
have to wait the ten days notice
before Election as in ordinary cases
if so I am much disappointed
as I expected to be ready for the
service in ten days, cannot the
present Law which you are about
to pass have a special clause to
allow us to choose our Officers
immediately It will be a great
dampener if we have to wait, as
many who enlist are obliged to
leave if not soon to go into active
service, Please let me know as soon
as possible what the pay to privates
will be as that is a great detriment
to those who enlist for pay

Yours Most Respectfully
H W Cunningham

Genl. John L. Hodgdon