

National Hotel
Washington D.C.
July 2 1861

Hon. J. Washburn

Joined

in Washington Saturday
night, & next morning reported
myself to Col. Bury, of the
4th Reg. as ready for duty.

Doctor Banks refuses to obey
orders, & gave him ^{tell} this over to
decide fully as to his future
course. As I have heard
nothing from him, it is but
fair to presume that he
still adheres to his previous
determination, I thought
proper to give you early

notice, & sent by Tele-
graph as soon as the time
had expired. I am advised
through Col. Benz, that
the Doctor refuses to recognize
the authority of the Commander
in Chief of Maine ~~the~~ W. M.
since they entered the service
of the United States.

I have not communicated
personally with the Doctor, for
the subject is of rather delicate
note, but through
the Colonel, to whom I was
ordered to report.

Thus the matter now stands,
& I shall await the further
orders of the Commander in Chief.
I visit the camp of the 4th
daily.

Respectfully

To Hon. J. Washburn J. C. Henkins
(Governor of Maine)

Dr. J. C. McKim.

Washington

July 20

Respectfully
Yours,
J. C. McKim
Secretary of the
National Academy of Sciences