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**1861-06-15 Gideon S. Palmer requests a position as surgeon**

Gideon S. Palmer

Camp Monill Meridian Heights  
Washington D. C. June 15<sup>th</sup> 1861

To His Excellency  
Gov. Washburn

Dear Sir I  
notice that, by a modification of  
the general order, each Regiment of  
the Volunteer Militia is allowed  
a Surgeon and an Asst. Surgeon.  
The wisdom and humanity of this  
arrangement will soon be seen,  
for our men are destined to see a  
good deal of sickness, and of course  
will need much medical aid.

It is important that the medical  
department of this, the 3<sup>d</sup> Regt, be com-  
pleted at once. I wish to be a can-  
didate for the surgeon's place and  
offer myself as such.

Yours truly G. S. Palmer  
Asst. Surgeon 3<sup>d</sup> Regt  
Main V. M.