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Fort's Monroe Dec 4th 1862

Gov Washburn

Dear Sir I wish to say a word in behalf of Dr Jason Huckings who was appointed, & has acted thus far, as Asst Surgeon of our Reg't - the 22^d Maine. I understood that ~~at his~~ ^{consented to be} ~~own request,~~ he ~~was~~ ^{was} commissioned as Asst Surgeon of the 6th. ^{& was so commissioned.} The circumstances which led him to ~~leave~~ ^{consent} a transfer have changed & the necessity for his remaining with us, is unquestionable. We have had, & have still a large number of sick men & Dr Cook who was appointed as a second Asst Surgeon has been mustered out of the service & left us. That this would be the case was one reason which led Dr Huckings to feel that he ought to remain.

We have all become very much attached to him & have very great confidence in his skill as a Surgeon & he has been literally compelled to remain.

I trust that there will be no obstacles in the way of his receiving a commission in the 22^d, by sending which you will confer a personal favor upon your humble & Most Obedt Servt

L. K. Lincoln

Hon Israel Washburn Jr

Chaplain 22^d Regt Maine Vol