

Washington June 24/61

Dear Washburn

Yours of the 20th
is just rec^d. The Palmer that
wrote you, and the one I wrote of,
is Dr Palmer of Gardiner of ~~Gard~~
~~was~~ appointed Asst. Surgeon of the
3^d Reg. Why appointed Assistant
Surgeon I don't know. You prob-
ably do. You are aware undoubt-
edly that he is the only Surgeon
in that Regiment - I wrote that it
was necessary to have more than
one Surgeon to a Reg. and that
he was a good man, ~~and~~ physi-
cian and Surgeon, one of the
best - for further information I
can refer you to any physician
of Augusta or Hallowell & P.

asked to be appointed Surgeon
and to have an assistant.

Since writing the above Mr
Kearney called, and told me
that he had rec^d his commission
as Surgeon or Brickbat or Asst Surg.

There are complaints among a
small portion of the men about
rations - say they don't get enough
to eat - I have looked into the matter
and find that they get daily, all that
is allowed them, and they are generally
of the best quality, when there is any
thing not of good quality, naturally
it is returned after a broken dinner.
All of our brown boys say that
they have a plenty - Why don't
you come and see us? It is worth
a journey to W, to see the men encamp-
-ments here - Our officers are as fine
set of men, gentlemen all. Some
of our men are unwell - they would

be in place then in any situation
we are much pleased with all the
officers of other Maine Regiments save
one and they I am happy say are
not to remain long -

About pay - I should like to have
mine from the State, what is due,
I was on duty at Bangor from the
first of May - my Commission was
dated the 2^d of May, my pay commencing
with the date of my Commission I
suppose I shall really need the pay
soon - What of pistols, you are
aware undoubtedly that the pistols
that were intended for the staff are
others were lost, no one is fault
with I think - I should like
one much - have some departing
not very soon - One man died in
Hospital last ^{week} - immediate cause
of death bleeding at lungs, One
man shot through right thigh

into the bone of left. I extracted
the bullet - doing with all care
You get the news the same as we
do by N. York papers - Troops constantly
arriving - I have made
but few calls since I have been
here have had no time

Very Truly
Yours

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June 11th.