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Gen. John L. Hodsdon.

Bangor July 29. 1861.

Dr. Sir.

The Band for the 2^d Reg^t leave to-day, en-route for Washington - via Augusta and Portland.. I have directed them to call on Augusta, and receive instructions from you as to fares - expenses of subsistence, &c. and also to report their condition when leaving. - I shall telegraph to you, so that you may meet them. - I have also, prepared lists of their names, to be given to Conductors, between this City and Portland, for adjustment of fares -

I am sorry to be obliged to decline the offer to go to Washington with the Band: - as it was what I very much desired. - but the sad accident to my little girl, last Wednesday, (the loss of an eye) keeps me at home for a few days, very closely. -

Respectfully Yours -

Jenniah Friend

P.S. - I have arranged so that the Conductors shall have a correct list of members of the "Band for the 2^d Reg^t" who pass this day -
J. F.

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