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**1861-10-03 Surgeon Gideon S. Palmer recommends Frank
Getchell for promotion to Assistant Surgeon**

Gideon S. Palmer

Camp Howard Fairfax Road Va.

Oct. 3^d 1861

To His Excellency
G. Washington

Dear Sir The
bearer of this, Frank N. Getchel of
Waterville Me, has occupied the position
of Hospital Steward in this regiment
since its formation, and has performed
its duties to the entire satisfaction of all.

He has recently graduated at the Med-
ical School of Dartmouth College, and
has shown himself well qualified for
the situation of Assistant Surgeon.

He has a good general as well as
Medical education, and stands high
in a moral point of view.

Yours truly

G. S. Palmer } Surgeon
 } 3^d Regt
 } M. V. M.