

Oct. 8th 1861

Gen. Washburn;

Dear Sir:— I

spoke to you about saying a word for me when I next see you one day, & as you are constantly overrun with visitors, I take this means of communication on the subject in order to save trouble.

I am going to ask for the appointment of Sergeant Major under Col. Goddard in the Cavalry. I have the endorsement of Capt. Whitney & Lieut. Crary of Co. A, & any quantity of the men.

I've just

been sworn into service as a private in that Company, so there is no mistake about my being in for it. Can you lend me a helping hand by speaking in my favor. Respectfully yours, W. Bartlett.

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Bartlett J. W.

Wishes to be Sergt. Major of Cavalry

Geo. W. Bartlett
per
Carr. Sergt. May.