

Benzon July 30th 1862

Hon J Washburn

Dear Sir

Capt Charles D Belmore
of this city is regarded among his many acquaintances
as a man, who merits well of his country -

While I was in Washington on a recent visit I
had the pleasure to learn, that all the persons, who
had any acquaintance with him, there, entertained
the same views - I fear you may regard me
as obtrusive in so frequently calling your attention
to the merits of some of our citizens, and soliciting
your aid in their behalf - but knowing as
I do - your desire to render the service all the
aid in your power - I am led to believe, that
it must be agreeable to your feelings if you are
assured of his ability to perform the same more
important command as soon as a vacancy
may occur - all the officers and soldiers whom
I saw while in Washington will approve of this

I am as ever very

Respectfully your obedt servt
Wm Wingate