

Head Qrs 1st Me Cavalry
Camp Penobscot Me
Dec. 9th 1861

General

It is my painful, but sworn, duty to report through you to the Commander in Chief that Surgeon George W Colby 1st Me Cavalry, has by uniform neglect of the sick, and of the hospital arrangements, has shown himself entirely unfit to be entrusted with the health of a regiment. Such conduct on the part of Dr Colby has come to the notice of many officers of the Regiment, and as such has been reported to me. In addition to this Dr Colby pays no attention to orders issued from this office. The proper remedy I know to be a "General Court Martial", but I should prefer to be spared this alternative, if the Commander in Chief could in any way remove Dr Colby from the position he now occupies. It is not only for the interest of the service that this should be done

but the salvation of the regiment
depends upon it; If it should be
deemed advisable to act upon this
report, I beg leave to request that
Majors Allen and Storrell of the 1st Me
Cavalry. Dr Huntkins 3rd Me Volunteers
and Major Dyer Asst Dr. Me. State of Maine,
may be called upon in evidence of the
above facts.

I am, General,

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Thos Wright

Lieut Col. 1st Me Cavalry
Commanding

General John L Hodsdon
Adjutant General State of Maine
Augusta Maine

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(Dr. Cady)

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