

To His Excellency

Gov. Washburn

Sir

I wish, if possible to obtain a commission as Assistant Surgeon, and I write to you to learn the probabilities of my doing so.

I graduated at this Waterville, College in 1858. Afterwards was assistant in Chemistry to Prof Silliman of Yale College for one year.

Have since studied Medicine with Dr H. R. Boutelle of place.

A year ago I attended one course of Medical Lectures at the Maine Medical School (Brunswick)

Last Fall I was stationed first on Staten Island and then on Riker's Island, near N. Y.

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City as "Resident Physician" to the
camps of recruits established there.

Last winter & this Spring

I attended a full course of Med. Lectures
at the N. Y. Uni. Med. Coll. but was
prevented from attending examination
by want of the necessary funds.

This Summer I have been attending
the hospital clinics in N. Y.

I can have my degree in one
month from now at the Berkshire
Med. School, Pittsfield Mass. but
do not want to be at that expense
now unless I can obtain a
commission.

What would be my chance
of success, provided, of course, that
I should pass all necessary exam-
inations?

Yours Very Respectfully

Waterville Aug 19 } Geo. G. Percival

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Waterville Me,

Aug 18, 1862.

Percival, G. G.

To be Asst Surgeon —

[Faint, mostly illegible handwriting follows, appearing to be a letter or a list of notes. The text is very light and difficult to decipher.]