

Washington City 26 March, 31st / 862

To J. Washburn Jr.

Governor of State of Maine

Sir, I arrived at Camp Franklin Van Buren, three weeks since, and found things very different from what they should have been, in regards to our men. Col. Jackson assigned me to Company I. I requested that one of the men that I brought out with me, that I thought a great deal of should be put in the same company, but they would not do it. Col. Heath & Col. Jackson say deny the agreement made about that being to put a new company in that regt. Col. also told me that he never gave him authority to make such a trade, but, be that as it may, you know that the agreement has not been carried out on the part of Col. Heath. he got the men and that was all he wanted. he told me on Sunday^{last} that he had written you three or four times on the subject, also that if we had come out anytime during the month of Jan. they would have been put in a new company as per agreement. Col. Jackson said it never should be. I could not stand it to stay in the regt and have the men that I enlisted point to me and say that I promised them that things should be so & so

and how very different, all on the account of
such deception as was used by Col Heath. if he
had no authority to make such a trade, he had ~~not~~
ought ^{not} to have made it. We could have had the
same chances in the 13th or 14th regts and everything
would go along smoothly. I have sent in my
resignation, and it has been accepted and I
am now out of the service. if you can do anything
for me, give me some other place I should be
pleased to have, yes, all I have done I have
received no pay for excepting from Jan 6th
to March 23rd which will not pay me what I
have actually paid out for recruiting expenses.

I shall remain in the city a week or ten
days and I should like to have you write me
an answer to this, and if you can do anything
for me I should be much pleased. if not please
answers and direct to Metropolitan Hotel ~~Washington~~
city D.C. or and oblige

Yours respectfully,

Geo E. Fernald,

To J Washburn, Jr

Governor of State of Maine

Augusta Maine

Washington March 31, 1862

Rennold, E. C.

Wants a Commission

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst. in relation to the matter of a commission for the purpose of visiting the various forts and posts in the Department of the Interior. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to accept of the commission, but I am sure that you will find it a most interesting and profitable tour.