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**1862-09-26 Colonel Staples writes Governor Washburn regarding  
vacancies**

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Governor.

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Yours concerning vacancies in my regiment was received in due time, having been without pen ink or paper I have not been able to answer before this. I had intended to dispose of Co I & K and leave vacancies for two full companies to be sent out but my letter did not reach you until after you had commissioned two officers in Co I. I will not qualify the lieutenant but wait until I hear from you. I am confident that commissions as Lt Col & Major are justly due Maj Burt and Capt Sakeman respectively. The promotion of these officers will not

only give satisfaction but they  
have earned the positions. instead  
of idling away their time at  
home they have been constantly  
with the regiment during the  
entire campaign on the Penin-  
sula and the recent movements  
before Washington. I trust your  
Excellency will consider this  
matter in its true light and  
overlook faults which with  
strict discipline have been  
corrected. I do not think it  
would be policy to commission  
Greenleaf of Co A while there  
are others higher in rank and  
justly entitled to promotion by  
reason of qualification aside  
from that I can have no objec-  
tion to his being commissioned.  
I am anxious to have good offi-  
cers and have none but the  
best interests of the regiment

in view. Donald Mc Intyre has  
given me much trouble and  
at last the Gen's coming brig-  
ade has reduced him to the  
ranks. I need an adjutant  
very much. a quick, intelligent  
business man. I will make  
a selection and write you again  
on the subject.

I have the honor to be  
Sir very respectfully.

Your Obedt Servant.

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