

We learn that Capt. Al. Harris, of the
5th Me. Regiment, who went out as a private,
has been detailed to take command of the 121st
New York.

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Gov Washburn
Sir

Capt A. J.
Harris of the 5th Regt. is cer-
tainly entitled to the position
now vacant in his regt.,
Col. J. being promoted to Brig.
Genl. leaves a vacancy some-
where on the Staff, and you
cannot give better satisfaction
to this community, and his
Regt. than making him Lt.
Col. he has not been
absent a day nor sick, since
he has been out, and as
Col. J. has said "he is the best
drilled and smartest officer in

the Division, and which
accounts for his being
selected to take care of the
new Regt. (121st N.Y.) lately
annexed to his Division, and
of which the paper speaks,
enclosed is the item,

I have on
a former occasion given you
an account of his actions at
"West Point," in connection with
Col. Jackson, taken from a
Boston paper, and of which
I think you noted,

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant

J. R. Harris