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Adjutant General Correspondence

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Detached Hospital of the Maine Cavalry,
Located at Frederick City, Md.,
Nov 14th, 1862.

Dear Governor,

I wrote you yesterday in something of a hurry and lest I omitted to say all that I wish, I write you again to-day. - I learn from our Provost Marshall, Capt. Smith, who was at Washington, a few days since, that he was informed by the Paymaster's Clerk, that only one Aft Surgeon for Regiments of Cavalry would be recognized. If this be so it would seem that I am left out in the cold, so far as getting pay for my services in the Army of the Government at Washington is concerned. Now this is a matter which you would naturally suppose would interest me some. I would be glad to get my pay in the way that Army officers usually get theirs & I should be very glad to get it soon. Capt. Smith understands that Congress passed a Law at its last Session granting to the Cavalry, perhaps among other things, to have two Aft Surgeons - but this was done away with by a war order issued about the first of September last. Would it be too much for me to ask you to write me, at your earliest convenience upon the subject.

Henry Isaac Wohlbaum Jr.,

I am very respectfully
your humble & obedient
servant
Ammon W. Patten,