## 1862-08-26 Dr. Morison writes Governor Washburn regarding surgeon appointments

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Dr. Morison of Regt.

Douglas Hospital

Washington Aug 26, 1862

Hon. I. Washburn Jr.

Dear Sir

Our Division left Harrison Landing

Thursday evening Aug. 14, and

arrived at Hampton Monday evening

following after a very fatiguing

march encamping on precisely

the same spot we

had left more than four months

before. On arriving at Fredericksburg

Thursday evening I was

completely prostrate, not having

entirely recovered my

strength after my sickness

and being advised by Col Brandt and

others to some [?] and rest

for awhile. I gladly did as especially

as I [?] attend to

some business for the regiment.

I contracted so severe a [?]

disease in the swamps of Chickahominy,

that I have some

fear I may not soon be able

for active service in the field,

which I should much regret, but

if it be as I shall probably send

in my resignation, unless I can

be employed advantageously in

some other position, until I

get thoroughly [recruited?] I left Dr.

Palmer and a Doct. Buzwell of VT with

regiment, but Doct. B. was nearly

sick--if there are to be 2nd

Asst. Surgeon, appointed I think

it should be done soon--Doct.

Field of Bangor would like

an appointment either as

Surgeon or Asst., in case

Doct. McRuer should return

home--I think him competent

for either position.

But my empirical objective

writing you at this time is to

say that Doct. Chas. F. Haynes,

(son of F.F. H of [East-L?])

Medical Cadet in the Hospital

is anxious for an appointment

as Asst. Surgeon in some Maine

regiment. He can have an appointment

in regular army

but would prefer for present

to be in regt. from his own

state--I think he can produce

testimonials of high character.

He seems to be a young man of

promise and I have no doubt

[ ] be a very valuable

assistant--wants it be

[ ] that he go to Maine for an

examination before his appointment

if his recommendation were

satisfactory? Will you be so kind

as to write him or me upon

this subject soon as [ ]

directed here.

Maj. Whitney of 1st Cavalry

sick and wounded--Capt.

Prince of same sick. Lt.

Badger of 6th Maine Battery

sick, all in this Hospital--

Lt. Goddard sick at some

other Hospital in city--

Very Respectfully

Yr Obt Servant

S.B. Morison

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