

Head Quarters 2d Brigade
2d Div 20th A.C.
Raleigh N.C. April 20 1865

His Excellency
R. E. Fenton

Major Cheney came on without his commission as Captain. it is necessary that he have it in order to give effect to his order of reinstatement.

There always was a vacancy kept for Cheney in one of the Companies of the Regiment and while he was in Albany there was such vacancy and there is one now. I desire therefore that a Commission be sent. It would be better under the circumstances however if a commission were supposed to have been issued at the time Cheney was in Albany and to send now a duplicate but there now is a vacancy for captain in the Regt. and if you prefer it an original commission will answer.

Col. Warner will write the Adjutant General to day. It is perhaps unnecessary to trouble your Excellency with the letter but the end of the war being so near I desire to hasten the settlement of all business affairs in the Regiment and take the liberty to ask that you give your early attention to this matter.

My own commission as Brigadier General has not been sent from Washington and that again embarrasses Cheney and the other Officers whose promotion will be affected by mine.

Col. Warner sends with his recommendation to the Adjutant General a copy of the order of the War Dept. reinstating Capt. Cheney which I have the honor to invite your attention.

I have the honor to remain
Very Sincerely
Your Excellency's Servant
P. H. Jones

[A note on the reverse reads: "154 Regt Late Capt Harrison Cheney to be Capt. April 20th 65, vice E. Porter Hon Disch Rec'd by Col. P. H. Jones Date of Commission May 10th"]