New York Oct. 22, 1865

Dear General

I could not leave the City as soon as we talked while I was in Albany so wrote Cameron. he writes me that he has withdrawn from the Canvass and leaves the field to Topliffe

In case I am not elected I wish you could find a place for him so that he can pursue his studies. he wants to come on to Albany at once if possible If you can place him now it would please him better as he wants to commence his course and I will take him off your hands when I come to Albany

Everything is looking favorable and I entertain no very serious apprehensions. I trust the Republicans are not all to confident. it might relax their energies

I wish to call your attention to a matter that I wrote you on before leaving Ellicottville the matter of D. P. Conyngham who wants to be commissioned in some Regt so that he can by that means be made a citizen He can secure an appointment from the State Dept if he succeeds in getting naturalized

It will make no difference to him whether the Regiment to which he is commissioned be in the service or not at present as he says he can procure a muster in if his commission be dated back, but of course it would be better if the Regt were in service—at least I think so

If you do this please address

David P. Conyngham Herald Office New York

I will return to Ellicottville this week

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P H Jones

[Endorsements on the reverse read:]

Write Gen Jones at Ellicottville

\_\_\_\_ to commission. Maj Harding is this practicable? REF [Governor Reuben E. Fenton]

vacancy 1<sup>st</sup> Lt 68<sup>th</sup> NY Vols appt REF