

U S Army General Hospital,
Canaleen Street, Baltimore, Md
August 3rd 1862

Surgeon Blip Sir

I have the honor to inform you that I (a Private of Co E, 5th Regiment Vermont Volunteers) was separated from my Regiment near Alexandria, Va, on the 27th day of August 1862, on account of sickness, and was ordered by Capt Charles C. Gaudin, Commanding Co E, 5th Regt, to Report in Person to our Regimental Surgeon. On arriving at the Surgeon's Tent I found him with everything packed up, and ready to leave as the Regiment were then under marching Orders, but I was told by him to stay there until further provisions were made for us. About 4 o'clock P.M. that day there was a Surgeon came with a Train of Ambulances and ordered all of us that were sick to get into the Ambulances and we were taken to Alexandria and here on board the Boat where we remained until the next morning, when we were taken to Washington, and from there to the U S Army General Hospital at Annapolis, Md. On arriving at Annapolis, I was admitted into Ward B, Section 5, and for a part of the time was under the Treatment of Doctor Miles. A Young Man by the name of John B. Ingersoll was then Nurse in 9th S. I remained, under Medical Treatment, in the U S General Hospital at Annapolis, Md, from the 30th of August 1862, until the 15th of September 1862, and was then discharged with a Squad to the U S General Hospital at Annapolis Junction, Md.

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