

Head Quarters, 14th Maine Vols.
New Orleans, May 28 1862

Col. Dudley }
Asst Mil Cndt }

I have the honor to inform you that we have positive information that a large number of guns, equipments, anvils, brass, 1 army wagon &c &c, taken from the Marine Hospital on the arrival of the Federal forces, are concealed in this part of the city. We have already discovered guns, canteens, 1 army wagon, knapsacks, belts &c and have them under a guard.

I respectfully ask permission to search in such places as we have good & sufficient evidence from such sources as we deem reliable and to take such articles as are contraband of war. I will cause to be forwarded to your Head Quarters immediately a full report and list of articles discovered.

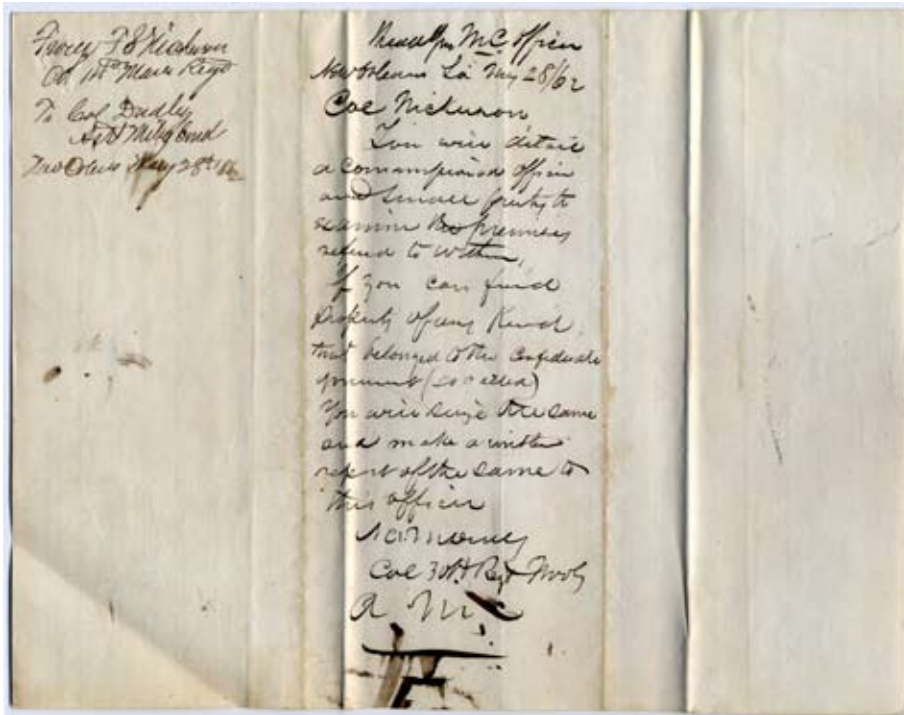
I have the honor to be
very Respectfully
Your Obdt Servt
F. S. Nickerson
Col. Cm 14 Me. Vols.

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Description: Col. F. S. Nickerson wrote to Col. Nathan Dudley to report that he had information about equipment and guns that had been taken from Union forces.



From F.S. Nickerson
Col 14th Maine Regt
To Col Dudley
Asst Milt. Cmd
New Orleans May 28th 1862
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HeadQrs M C. Office
New Orleans La May 28/62

Col Nickerson,
You will detail
a commissioned officer
and small party to
examine the premises
referred to within.

If you can find
property of any kind
that belonged to the Confederate
govment (so called)
you will seize the same
and make a written
report of the same to
this officer

N. Mooney[?]
Col 30th Regt Mvols
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