

Letter

Major Riches to  
Lt Col. Galis

Onyok 13 Oct  
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Lt. Col.

Forbes Comd.

42<sup>d</sup> Regt

New Utrecht

Long Island

your note and in consequence  
I have ordered Surgeon Durham to collect the necessary  
recruiting party to proceed immediately to the  
Under the charge of Sgt Skinner he not complying with  
the order Durham sent them in charge of Higgins and  
Surgeon Skinner's refusing to go down did not come  
to my knowledge until the evening of the 12th inst. I shall  
accompany this with charge against them which Sir  
you can set your pleasure on, in my opinion he  
ought to be punished for so great neglect of duty  
Greenleaf and Durham are sick. The former will  
be sent to the Genl. Hospital, by Recommendation  
of Dot Turner, and he has requested me to permit  
Durham to remain a few days until recovered  
I gave him privilege to remain for three days from  
the 12th inst. Sgt Whitlock is likewise in the Hospi-  
tal who wanted immediate relief

Lt Col.

J. G. Forbes Comdr  
42<sup>d</sup> Regt

Respectfully  
yours &c.

Wm. D. Kirk  
Major 42<sup>d</sup> Regt U.S. Ar.

NB I have a few hundred dollars for recruiting  
if you have an office to spare for that  
service will furnish him with funds