

From George H. Hoyt to Charles Robinson

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Private.

Leavenworth

Aug. 12th '62.

My Dear Sir.

I am directed by my friend, Col. Jennison [MS. illegible] speaks tonight & is full of business to say to you that Gen. Lane voluntarily gave him the authority he has, to organize the colored regiments in the State. It was an unsolicited position, but being hedged about with no conditions of any sort, could not well be refused.

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In view of what has heretofore transpired it is [*text stricken through*] unnecessary to say that Col. Jennison takes hold of this work, not as a Lane man, but altogether on the Jennison basis, in the whole. He wishes to say frankly to you now, as he will tell you personally in a few days, that, in the Exercise of any influence or power he may have in the premise, he will be governed by a policy to which you can urge no objection.

As for myself, Governor, I find [MS. illegible]

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still in the service. There is an order issued or soon to be issued placing me under Gen. Lane's orders. This wont do him any good personally, although it may facilitate just & righteous plans.

Very Truly Yours,

Geo. H. Hoyt.

[P.S.] Col. Jennison will be most happy to receive any suggestions you may be pleased to make.