

Executive Office, Iowa.

Iowa City, Nov 4th, 1862.

Major Genl G. R. Carter
St Louis Mo
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I am receiving letters from ^{some of} Iowa Regiments that their efficiency is being impaired very much by their being placed under the control and subject to the discretion of Missouri Militia Generals, who as it is alleged are more desirous of protecting their own property and the slaves of rebel sympathizers and of securing position for themselves & friends than of active and determined operations against the enemy. I am confident and trust that if in your power you will remedy this evil if it exists.

Your obt Servt

Samuel Kirkwood

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I am receiving letters from some of the Virginia Regiments stating that their efficiency is very much impaired by their being placed under the control and subject to the directions of "provisional" - "General" who are more observations of protecting their own property and the places of Rebel sympathizers & 8c. - Effort of acting speedily against the enemy.

Recd 9. acts the General Comd's Dept. to remedy the evil if it exists.

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Respectfully referred to H. H. W. W. - I find in this

State several Brigades General of Militia Militia in

Command. Some of them are Colonel of Volunteers and some like William P. Hall &

Some down are merely State Militia General. General John Brown and others

are in the field commands. Division under General Sigbee. They are all good men

I believe but John Brown of the State do not like to be

General and Com mandant in this way. They were all in Service when I came in command and I do not know how they amount to his present value. The militia Militia

when in Service are militia

to state officers to command them and when this form is united with the Volunteers although the latter is now under the

force, the militia General parts and commands. It is this which General

Westwood complains of. It may become a serious

difficulty and I therefore refer it to Washington. -

General Schofield is satisfied and wants to give the particular

history: but the Government having gone to Washington I show this may reach

had wanted to be made matter of consideration in any settlement of affairs in the State Militia

S. R. CURTIS

Respectfully
S. R. Curtis