

Head Qrs. Dist of Minnesota
Dept. of the Northwest
St Paul, Dec 30. 1862

Respectfully forwarded to the
Head Quarters of the Dept. with
an earnest recommendation that
the gallant 3^d Regt. Minn vols
which so signally distinguished
itself in the battle of Wood
Lake, may be furnished with
Springfield muskets and placed
in the position they desire
that they be allowed an
opportunity, which I am
convinced they will improve,
fully to vindicate their
reputation as a fighting Regt.

H. H. Sibley
Brig. Genl Comd

Hd. Qrs. Dept. of the W.
Madison Wis.

Jan. 3. 1863

Respectfully for.

St Paul

warden.

I recommend that
this Regt. be assign-
ed to the Command
of Maj. Genl. Rosecrans.
The Col. of the Regt.
has been instructed
to make requisition
in form for Arms.

W. L. Elliott
Brig. Genl. U.S.A.
Comd.

H. H. Sibley

Brig. Gen USA

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