

Alex Va. Aug 4, '65

Dear Mr.

Your letter of 29 July I
have received, I am sorry
to hear of Kellie's indisposition
- as also of George's. What is it that
ails George that he should have
failed so much as you describe?
- Kellie I suppose has an old trouble
and if I possibly can do so, when
I get a fullough or leave of absence
from her I will endeavor to see
you all - I am still in the employ
of the Government department, &
my duties take very little of my
time, all the remainder of the day
I devote to my profession - Gen
City has been quite healthy for
the past two months, but I look
for a sickly season from this
time forward - I reside in
the Mansion House Hospital

And am doing Voluntary Surgeon
Duty in taking Camp the Guards
of the Comm. if any department
who are attached to this Division
of Hospitals - I do this because the
Parade is on in the same lot with
the U. S. Bakery, which latter I inspect
every day & that constitutes my only
Duty - but I have sick call at
the main team for the guards which
relieves the Hospital from the receipts
& detailing an Officer specially for
that purpose, - I get no pay for this
but the Guards have with us give
me up - And from time to time
I have a handsome presentation of a
fine Microscope & from Valuable
Medical works - And we had
a fine Moonlight presentation &
speeches &c. &c.

Wish my private practice pay
is meeting but not enough to get
to satisfy me - I have a very

pleasant interview with the
Medical Staff in this Division
of Hospitals, And am adding to
my Surgical experience, And knowledge
of Surgical diseases every day

What an opportunity with
the Mills? And you receiving
- If there is trade enough to run
your Mill full, and at paying
prices, I will come on and arrange
to run the Mill full, and try
to make some money, if it turns
out to be doing something -

Write, how have you am situated
- What you are doing, what trade
there is, And when the other side
could be worked to advantage
- I can arrange to get all the cotton
provided it will pay

See much love to all at home
Ever your friend
Wm. B. Brown