

peace at them missed his man & they
both made their escape I do not believe
that before the consolidation that there was a man
under Col Curtis that would have deserted him
if he would have given them permission to have
done so. There have already over 200 of Col Jones
men deserted him when our wing desert we will
all go in a body officers & all

Col Jones says that
he is going to make an assistant Surgeon of
me but I know that that is impossible for him
to do as the power does not lie with him
I think the Surgeon of the 58 Regt is a fine
man but I do not like his practice at all
for he carries out the old humdrum practice of
the army.

Webster got a letter the other day containing Mrs
Webster & Jerry's letters they look quite natural
I expect that Mrs Holmes will be here in a few days
I should think that he would feel pretty poor as he
got no pay at all only for the 7 of December
the officers received pay only for the time they
were mustered into service while the privates received
their pay from date of enlistment.

If I do not get my
discharge I will be here before we leave Phila. but I think
I will get it without a doubt.

Excuse this & excuse for a letter and believe
me yours in love
N A March