

Head Quarters Morris Town
June 4th 1790.

Sir

I have received your favor of the
31st Ult^o. You have mistaken the meaning of
the Act of Congress, it is not to prevent promotions
where they are due, but to put a stop to new ap-
pointments, except they are thought necessary, by
the Commander in Chief. You will therefore
be pleased to apply in the usual Mode to the
State for the Majority to which you say you
are intitled —

I am Sir
your most obed^t Servant

G. Washington

Cap^t Ashley
iⁿ Massachus^{ts} Regim^{ts}
a true copy to the Sec^y of the Board

From Gen Washington
11 June 1700

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