

Forwarded May 26<sup>th</sup>

S. H. Stringham  
Commandant

Navy Department,

Washington, 24<sup>th</sup> May 1864

Sir,

On the reporting of your relief, acting Master  
Grinnell, you will regard yourself as detached from  
the Massasoit, and you will report to Rear  
Admiral Stringham for duty on board the  
U. S. S. Fort Donelson (B. Rate).

Very Respy

Gideon Welles

Secretary of the Navy.

Acting Master.

Geo W. Frost. U.S.N. Reported May 27.

Boston Maj. S. H. Stringham

Reported for duty on board  
Boston May 27<sup>th</sup> 1864

Commandant,

W. H. Pickering  
U. S. S. South.

S. H. Stringham

Respectfully  
Yours  
E. M. Fairchild  
W. Concord.

Mr. Post