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503 B. Fort Simcoe WT September 19 56 R.S. Garnett Maj. 9 Infy
Comdy. post. G.O.H. June 1, 57 ~~Announced~~ Announces the death of Capt.
Francis L. Bowman 9th Infantry (3 enclosures) Hdqrs. D. Columbia,
River District, Fort Vancouver, W.T. Sept. 23 1856 Respy. forwarded G.
Wright Col. 9 Infy. comdy. Rec(AGO) October 29, 1856

Fort Simcoe W.T.

Sept. 19, 1856

Sir:

The Comful (sic) office desires ..his of announcing (sic)
for the information of the War Department the death under circumstances
singularly distressing of Captain Francis L. Bowman of the Ninth
Regiment of Infantry. From the best data before me (or us) I should
judge that the unfortunate event occurred near about the 10th of
September and within about twenty miles of Fort Dalles, O.T.

The accompanying narrative of Asst. Surgeon Brown (?) prepared by
my direction will convey to you all the information in my possession in
relation to the circumstances of death. It appears to have been one of
those instances of fatality or accident which no human wisdom could foresee.

Lieut (?) Douglass (sic) 9th Infy. the subaltern officer of the late
Capt. Bowman's company and his personal friend has taken charge of
Capt. Bowman's effects and will forward them without delay to his family
at Fort Dalles. I learn that their purpose is to return to the eastern
states (Wilkesbarre, Pa) in October. I am sir

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servt.

R.S. Garnett

Major 9 Infy. Comdy. of Post.

To the Adjutant General of the Army
Washington City, D.C.