be paid and received except to the original holder, or by administration.

By reference to the pay roll and list of officers from 1840 you will see my rank as Surgeon, and the amount and period of time, having been twice appointed. You will, therefore, confer a favor by sending me, immediately a full statement, and the necessary advice, to enable, if possible to receive the same from the date of my first commission from L. P. Cook then Secretary of the Navy dated July 27. 1840. and also my last appointment from Col. Hockley then Secretary of War & Marine, the date of which not recollected, as I have not the letter at hand, but which the register & order book will shew being ordered then to the Brig Wharton, but transpened to Schr. San Bernard Capt. D. H. Crisp.

Not having received the first cent of pay, during each period