

In October, 1851, he came to Bridgeport to begin the active practice of his profession. His first place of residence was in the old Sterling house. It was rough sledding for the young physician for a few months, but the successful treatment of a case which had baffled the older physicians gave him the opportunity for starting a successful career. In 1854 Dr. Hubbard formed a co-partnership with Dr. David H. Nash. The arrangement lasted until 1871.

In 1855 he married Miss Cornelia Hartwell, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Hartwell.

At the breaking out of the civil war Dr. Hubbard became known as a radical Unionist, and upon the recommendation of the State Medical society he was appointed by Governor Buckingham to the post of examiner of the candidates for appointment as surgeons and assistant surgeons for the regiments raised in Connecticut. In 1862 he went to the front as surgeon of the Seventh Connecticut Volunteers. Shortly after entering the service he was promoted to the position of brigade surgeon and served with General Howard. He was afterwards transferred to General Devins' brigade. His services at the battle of Chancellorsville were of such merit that he was again promoted to be medical inspector on the staff of General Devins. After the battle of Gettysburg he rejoined the Seventeenth regiment, remaining with it until just before the battle of Lookout Mountain, when he was again assigned to the Eleventh corps.