

Spokane Aug 2 / 86
 Gen. John L. Hodsdon

Sir

City Marshal
 of Bath Mr. Allison & Potter
 gave me the following information
 James W. Collins of Company
 A or D 3 Maine Regiment
 has come home to Bath & moved
 to New Sharon whether a
 deserter or not I can not
 tell. I shall go to Richmond
 Monday to look up Solder in
 that town. I think before
 I visit Bath again you
 had best let Mr. Potter
 secure the 2 deserters I have
 written you about in
 Bath & West Bath

for the wife. be pretty likely
to hear of me being round
and will give them a chance
to Run

I presume you
will see the sense of my
reasoning

I shall visit Bath
Plymouth, Woburn & Georgetown
the last of the week

Yours With Respect

Robert S. Whitney