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1863-03-06 Lieutenant E.M. Shaw to Adjutant
General Hodsdon regarding orders

E. M. Shaw

Stafford Co. Va. Mar 6 1865

My Dear General -

Enclosed I send you
General Order No 18 Head Quarter Army of
the Potomac - I wish you to carefully read it
and tell me whether its general character
will not tend to elevate the military -
Please look in the list of regts specially named
as passing a good reputation. You can well
understand that I have always claimed that the
10th was a good regt. and here Gen Hooker
puts it among the 11 regts in the whole Army
of the Potomac. That there are other good regts
in the Army no one can deny. but this only
shows the even ordeal to which we are subjected
I tell you it makes us feel good. The regimental
character is always as should be very dear to me
and officers. Our officers and men have always
tried to do the duty and after nearly two years
to find a good reputation established is very
pleasant. Perhaps the Order may give the
Correspondent of the Daily Whig with some idea
for a laudatory paragraph -

Please say to Putridge and True that I recd
 their Co letters today. also one from each by
 favor of Col Beal who joined us today -
 I relation to Sarah McKiey of Co. K I will say
 that he joined as a recruit about one year
 ago. and is still with the regt for duty.

Col says he has one of your reports for me. but
 it is in his trunk in Washington. shall be glad
 to see it. and much obliged to you for it.
 I sent you a few days since Monthly report
 for Feb. Let me call your attention to
 the matter of my commission. No doubt
 but it will be out as soon as possible. if
 not already on the way. Our term of service
 expires in soon. that I am particularly anxious
 to have it as speedy as possible. I wish to make
 the Co A No 1 before its come home.

Please say
 to Putridge and True I'll write them soon

Very truly

Your Obedt Servt

Lieut E. M. Shaw

Adj: 10 M. Tol

To
 John L. Hodder
 Adj: Genl of
 Maine