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Adjutant General Correspondence

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1862-07-14 S.A. Barker recommends J.F. Knowles of Jackson for a commission

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Dixons July 14. 1862

Gen. J. A. Dodsden

Dear Sir

The bearer J. F. Knowles
of Jackson puts it his duty to leave his
business here to take care of self and join
the glorious Army of the Union.

As he makes quite a sacrifice
in business to do this he hopes to be
able to secure some position which will
make up part of the loss to him.

He would like a Lieut's Com-
and thinks he can raise 20 men.

He stands for himself that he is
fit for the place. I will merely add
that he is a man of good habits
and education & has got the fight
in him.

My wife is confined to her
room by a fit of sickness or I should
have seen you in this, as soon as
she is better I am off for Dixons if
I can get any kind of a show
over

Can you secure me a decent
position. I think we shall raise
a Company of Volunteers in this
vicinity before they will stand a
draft. I have talked of trying to
raise a Company & have had a few
applications to enlist but have
been unable to attend to anything
on account of the sickness as stated
Gen. we must fight, every
man who can by any possible
means leave town must do so,
without waiting to be drafted.
I never will stand a draft.
and there are thousands in Maine
who say the same,

Yours
S. A. Baxter

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