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Augusta May 23. 1862

To his Excellency Isaac
Washburn Gov^r
of the State of Maine

Understanding that
a new regt of troops
is to be raised in this
State, I cheerfully recommend
Charles R. Hutchins Esq of
this city for a recruiting
officer, and ultimately,
when the regt is full
for the office of Major,
to which he aspires -

By his education,
his knowledge of military
affairs, his taste for that
sort of life, his zeal &
energy in whatever

he undertakes, and
his character for uprightness
and unblemished integrity
I deem him eminently
qualified for the place
he seeks - besides, he
has already rendered
very important services
for the State as a
recruiting officer and
expended no very in-
considerable sum of
money while engaged
in that business, &
yet without remuneration
as I understand.

Very truly
Yours
S. Lancaster

Augusta Me.

May 23, 1862

Lancaster, S.

Recommends C. K. Hutchins
for Recruiting Officer

L. Lancaster

1878

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Very truly
yours
L. Lancaster