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**1862-05-29 Nehemiah Abbott recommends Samuel C. Belcher for
commission in a new regiment**

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Dear Sir

I understand that Samuel B. Belcher Esq. of Formington desires a commission in the volunteer service of the State. He would prefer an adjutant in the new regiment about to be raised; and, if he cannot obtain that, he would like to be placed on the Staff of some regiment already raised, or to be raised.

Mr. Belcher is a nephew of mine, yet I feel that there is no danger of my speaking too highly of his qualifications for the place he seeks. His education is of the very highest order, and his habits and energy are of such a character as to afford a sure guaranty of success in whatever he may undertake. Indeed, I know of no young man that I regard as his superior.

Believing as I do, that if he shall be enabled to obtain the place he seeks, he will discharge its duties with signal ability and fidelity, I sincerely hope you may appoint him thereto. Very Respectfully Yours
Hon. Israel Washburn Jr. Nathaniel Abbott
At Augusta Me