

Orland 3 Sept. 1861

Dear Sir,

I was not able to express within the short limits of the telegram sent to you yesterday, all I desired to say relative to our zeal and ability to raise in the shortest time imaginable a fine company of cavalry. The tide is just at its height. In company with a gentleman of some means (a returned Californian Capt A. B. Spurling) we have been canvassing and we are prepared to raise one company in one week - not over ten days at the farthest. Perhaps it would

be recollected by you without any mention of it by me - that a company was raised here at the same time Capt Snowman raised one in Backport - This is the centre of old-time musters and as yet we have done nothing for the army.

Sea-parts & commercial places furnish bright & active men.

As soon as you are able to answer our desire definitely, please telegraph to me.

My business prevents me from personally appearing again at Augusta to give you the fullest assurance of our readiness - in fact I may say on the part

all "incompressible intent to go"

Yours truly
for the War

Charles Mainlin

Gen. J. Washburn Jr.

Augusta Maine.