1863-03-05 W. Smith recommends Edward M. Yates to Mr. Dyer for a position in the regiment

W. Smith
March 5, 1863.

Dear Dyer,

Knowing that you are in a position to ascertain what can or cannot be done, and how to do what should be done, I subscribe you this opifice for the benefit of Edward M. Yates of this place, now, for some time past connected with the Republican, as Editor. In consequence of the serious change in business affairs, connected with the war, the patronage in various ways, of the Republicans, has been so much diminished, that Mr. Yates's service cannot long be paid for, and he will decline her connection with it in 2 or 3 weeks, at best. He is a very modest, unassuming
man, of quite remarkable talents, and of unquestionable integrity.

Deparately sober, temperate life, pronounced. We are exceedingly sorry that they should be made; but it is one I

reality cannot be avoided.

In consideration of the ser-Vice, labor, service, & sacrifice, he has made, we are not only

deeply deserving, but exceedingly

certain in getting for him the

position in the Artillery Re-

giment of Maine, formerly the

And what we want for him is a Lieutenant, in the 2nd in some one of the Companies of the

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guard. We understand there is
to be an increased number of

They officers, over that required for an Infantry regiment, and

some scheme or plan must be
decided by which an appoint-

must can be secured. Such
albeit has been done it must be done again. Dear Mr. [name]
any amount of recommendations or solicitation, which may be necessary to support the oppor-
tunity. I want your aid, 

please you tell me what further we must do. It must be done. Do not for God's sake fail me. Write me immediately on the subject, and "don't buy or!" —

In much haste,

W. [last name]
Machias Me
March 8, 1863

Smith, N.S.

Recommends E.M. Gates
for Lieut. 1st Me. Inf. Art'y