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Gen Hodgdon,

The bearer, Mr Jos.  
Erskine, is desirous of procuring  
for Chas. E. Gore, an enlisted soldier,  
in the 4<sup>th</sup> Reg. Company B. a longer  
furlough to give him an opportunity  
to recover his strength & visit his  
friends before returning to the  
service. Having been acquainted  
with Mr Erskine, I can safely assure  
you that any representations he  
may make in relation to the matter  
are reliable; if you can con-  
sistently accommodate <sup>him</sup> in his request  
I shall be glad to consider it a  
personal favor.

Respectfully Yours  
Jos. Baker