

Danvers, Sept. 30. 1861.

Dear Sir=

I am happy to be able to recommend so good a man for the office of Second Lieut. of the Company now being raised W. L. Petcher & Daniel White in this City as George Franklin Bourne of Danvers.

I have known Mr. Bourne from his infancy, and I do not know of one young man in Danvers whose habits & character are purer than his. When in charge of the schools, I knew him as an industrious & good scholar, & since he left school I have known him as a Clerk with Mr. J. S. Ricker, & with Wheelwright & Clark, and I presume they will confirm my statements in regard to his merit.

He has a good mind, as maybe known by the accuracy of his phonographic

reports of speeches here. If his means would have enabled him to obtain a liberal education, he would have taken a high position in any profession. He has had some experience in the woods & on the river, which prove that he can easily qualify himself for Camp life & duty.

I feel assured, that Mr. Boone will do himself & the State credit in whatever office he may be placed, whether that of 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>d</sup> Lieutenant. & I sincerely hope that he may be appointed to the place he desires.

Although unasked, I can say that Mr. Pitcher also, in my opinion is well qualified for an office in a Company, of Capt. or Lieut. of excellent habits & great activity & industry, a company cannot do well under him.

Yours Obedt Servt,

Wm L. Washburn John E. Godfrey.  
Gov of Maine



I am acquainted with  
Messrs Bourn & Peters  
& fully concur in  
the statements made  
by Messrs Overbury

Sam<sup>d</sup>. F. Bury

I am fully  
convinced that no  
better appointment  
could be made for  
Messrs, or even first  
President, the Chair of  
Mr. Bourn.

Rufus Daniel

John E. Godfrey  
Bangor  
Sept. 30.

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