

S. M. Pe July 15, 1862

His Excellency The

Governor of Maine

You will pardon me for addressing you at this time. yet I trust that you will give a moment in reply, notwithstanding the multiplicity of duties enjoined upon you. Duty to Country seems paramount to every other and I cannot remain deaf to the appeals that are now made for more men. By enlisting myself I should induce others to do the same and indeed there are quite a number who will at once respond if I will only consent to lead them. My business would suffer largely by non-attendance still I feel that if by rallying to the call of my country many others here will also do the same it is my solemn duty to do it. I have consulted Gen. Pitcomb of this District and he says he will do all in his power for me, in reference to getting the position I desire, viz a Capt. Com. but he remarked that I had better communicate with <sup>you</sup> at once as you had the exclusive control of this matter. I could refer to the leading men of this country as to whether I am capable of filling the position, such men as Hon. W. A. Fernald, J. Fernald, S. R. Limenton and very many others.

Fernald



I am now securing what men I can, and  
I shall direct an answer from you at the earliest possible  
moment. Mr Hewitt who a few days ago took  
out enlisting papers, has only two men and the parents  
of one or both as I was directly informed on Monday  
we will not consent for them to go, and as his papers  
time expires next Monday could I not take out  
papers and obtain as many as I can? Will you  
please answer <sup>me</sup> what conditions you issue Capt. Com  
and also if I had better come and see you, and any other  
information you may impart. I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully  
Your Obedt Servt  
P. M. Fogler  
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Hon Israel Washburn  
Governor of Me



Co. Hope, July 15, 1862,

Major J. P. M.

Private a Capt. Commission

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