



Washington City July 16<sup>th</sup> 1862

His Excellency Israel Washburn Jr.  
Governor of Maine

Sir,

We respectfully and earnestly recommend the appointment of Lieut. Adelbert Ames of the U. S. Army, to command some one of the Regts. of Volunteers now in the field or hereafter to be organized from our State. Lieut. Ames is a citizen of Rockland and a most gallant and meritorious officer, having distinguished himself in several battles & been highly complimented by his Superior Officers. We believe him to possess excellent ability character and habits, and eminently qualified for the desired position

to the Maine

~~Wm. B. Fessenden~~

A. M. Russell  
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