

Tuesday Morning
July 22. '62

General,

Have had some trouble to procure board for my recruits, and hope to receive orders to forward a portion of them soon to the regimental rendezvous at Bangor. People say their bills for board have been so much shaved at Augusta that they have been heavy losers. - It seems as if the people should have better confidence in public officers than this.

This want of confidence is not limited to victualers; the owners of stage lines express an unwillingness even before it is proposed, to carry troops. Government officers do not seem to consider the peculiar disadvantages under which our people of Aroostook labor from their isolated

position. —

Recruits are still prompt.
Please send me about 100 blanks
for enlisting immediately. Mine are
used up already. —

Yours Respectfully
Henry Merriam