

12-1-1861

1861-12-01 Colonel Berry submits a list of names for promotion

Hiram Gregory Berry

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Sir

In accordance with your request under date of Nov 12th I herewith submit a list of names for promotion to fill vacancies occasioned by the promotion of both Nickerson & Thewrie.

Major Silas M. Hallan to be Lieut Col from Nov 30th

Capt Elijah Walker to be Major " " Nov 30th

1st Lieut Orin B. Mitchell to be Capt Co B from Nov 30th

2^o Lieut Julius B. Litchfield to be 1st Lieut Co B from Nov 30th

Sergeant Arthur Libby to be 2^o Lieut Co B from Nov 30th

1st Lieut James O. Erskine Co E. to be Capt Co E from Nov 1st

via - Whitehouse resigned

Sergeant John G. ~~Wright~~ Auld to be 1st Lieut Co E.

via Erskine promoted -

1st Sergeant George H. Davis to be 1st Lieut Comd

H - via Hartford resigned - Davis to

take rank from Nov 1st to transfer then

The above officers have been appointed by me and are now acting in the capacities for which they are recommended to be commissioned - I have no hesitancy in saying that they are the best that

can be made from this Regiment - Should you
deem it proper to commission them on my rec-
ommendation it would be best to have commissions
forwarded at once, as we may hap onward & have
Service in consequence - I should like to have my Officers
duly commissioned before such an event takes place

Col. McKenon left me Thursday for
Washington & home - I learned to-day from Col. Childers
that he left Washington Yesterday (Saturday) - I have
sent by him, or rather he has taken with him on my
consent - Three Young Men to assist him in organiza-
ing his Regiment - One will act as Quarter Master
Another must likely as Adjt. & the Third sergt. Major -
I have no hesitancy in recommending all for
Commissions. I know them well. They will never
despise their flag or the Old fourth, anywhere -
Col. McKenon has my warmest wishes for success -
I feel he will be a worthy Officer - I am willing
so far as the power in me lies to help his Regiment
over the rough places - anything I can do for him
will be done cheerfully & I assure you it afforded
me much pleasure to be able to transfer these Young
Officers to his command -

My new
company is doing well -

Honorable Washburn

Governor Maine
Augusta -

Respectfully Your Servt

Wm B. F. Wood