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**1863-02-01 John Lincoln recommends William Eaton for
assistant surgeon**

John Lincoln

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Providence Me. Feb 1st 1863.

Wm. Abner Coburn

Dear Sir.

I learn from the 10th Me Regt. that a petition has been forwarded to you signed by the Officers of said Regt. and the Surgeon S. Alexander desiring that W^m. W. Eaton Hospital Steward of said Regt. be appointed Asst. Surgeon.

Mr Eaton was a pupil of mine, and is a young gentle man of character and acquirements sufficient for said situation. He is a graduate of Bowdoin and has by his own exertions entirely unaided procured his education. If possible

to bestow this appointment
upon him, I trust your
and promise that he will
never disgrace it under
a good surgeon.

With much respect

Your Obedt. Servt

John S. Smead

Wm. W. C. C. C. }
Governor of Maine }