

Saco March 7th 1863

Hon Abner Coburn, Governor of Maine

Sir I have

A Son now in the 16th Maine Regiment Co. F. he is nearly twenty one years of age he left the State as 2^d Lieutenant was promoted by the recommendation of his superior officers after the battle of Fredericksburg to a first Lieutenancy he is now in command of Co. E. 16th Maine, the officers of said Co being either discharged or sick &c. his education is good, abilities, apparently as good as any young man of his age and advantages, rather quiet, social, good habits, and is not a coward — Colonel Farnham knows him as an officer much better than I can inform you. My other Son Capt John W. Seering of Ship Arno of Boston — Met Col Farnham at the American House in Boston a few days since, he having been introduced to the Col. a few months since, asked Col Farnham respecting George A. his reply was — he was active, prompt, and as good an officer considering his advantages as any in his Regiment — My object in writing is this — I wish to present him to your favorable consideration — if he is recommended for ^{or} his name is presented with others for promotion, I only ask for a favorable consideration of his merits, I do not ask for any particular favors he is young and ambitious, I told him when he left home anything I could do for him, after he had won Merit I would cheerfully do. I therefore wish to have him remembered as among the many who have gone forth to serve their Country } Very Respectfully Your Servant
and if he merits promotion give ^{it} to him, the } James W. Seering
young, active, prompt, & faithful, and deserving,

Saco, Me.

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Deering. James M.

Solicits promotion for his
son in 16th Me Vols