

Camp Mason Portland

August 22^d 1862

Wm Israel Washburne

Sir:

I beg
leave to introduce to your
favorable notice Mr Joseph
F. Land of Edgecomb. He
greatly assisted me in raising
my company and wishes
to be appointed ~~first~~ Lieu-
tenant. Such an appoint-
ment would be highly
satisfactory to myself and
the company, and would be,
I think very beneficial to
the public service. I also re-
commend Mr Joseph S. A. Hoff^{sen}
as Second Lieutenant.

Very respectfully,
Your obd. Servant.

Ellis Spear.