

Portland
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Excellency

Allow me introduce to you the bearer here Owen late 1st Sergeant of my company in the 5th Maine. He is one of the best drilled men there was in the Regt. and was always a competent faithful officer, and I think qualified for a 2^d Lieutenant's commission. He is desirous of obtaining papers for the purpose of recruiting for one of the Regts. now being raised by this State. I cordially recommend him for that purpose.

I have the honor
to remain

Yours obedt. servt,
Ed. W. Thompson

To Israel Washburn
Governor of Maine
Augusta

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Recommends here
Owen for Lieut in
the Vols