

U S Army Hospital
Portsmouth Grove R I
July 17th 1863

Gov Caburn, Sir

I take the
liberty to address you in regard
to a furlough, I am a private
in Co C, 16th Maine regiment
I was wounded in the battle
of Fredericksburg Dec 13th 1862
My wound was in the right
thigh and kept me in bed
all the winter and spring
I am now able to walk
about on crutches and I
want a furlough for 30 days
Can you sir, assist me in
regard to obtaining a
furlough? John E Bates
Co C, 16th Maine

Portsmouth Grove, R. I.

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Bates J. C.

16th Me. Regt.

Wants Gurlough...

John S. Bates

July 17, 1863,

Wants Furlough,