

Camp ^{by} Hamilton, near ^{by} Fortress Monroe,

April 2^d, 1862.

To his Excellency Israel Washburn, Jr., Governor
of the State of Maine:

Sir:

Enclosed you will find a petition, signed
by fifty-one non-commissioned officers and
privates of Company C, 3^d Regt Maine Volunteers,
recommending me for the office of Captain
of said Company, now vacant by the resigna-
tion of Geo. S. Andrews. In the month of
January last, a petition to the same effect
was signed by about the same number of
members of the Company, and delivered into
the hands of Col. Staples, to be forwarded to
you. A short time afterwards, a recom-
mendation, signed by all save three or four
of the commissioned officers in the regiment,
was also delivered to the Colonel. Both
of these I presume you have received.

I performed as much in enlisting the company as any other member, and was the only one deemed competent as drill officer, while I remained in the company. I started with the company as Orderly Sergeant, in which position I remained until the last of June, 1861, when, by the persuasion of Col. Howard and Adj't Bust, I was transferred to the Band as 2^d Principal Musician, thus removing me from the line of promotion. All of the original commissioned officers of Co. C have left the service, and the former 2^d Sergeant and one of the Corporals now fill the places of 1st and 2^d Lieutenants.

I served during the Mexican war as Orderly Sergeant of Co. K, 9th Regt Infantry, receiving an honorable discharge at the close of the war. During the campaign I received considerable experience in military affairs, and consider myself at least as

competent to hold a commission as any member of the Company.

Doubtless you will recollect that, during the encampment of our regiment at Augusta, I was recommended by several principal citizens of Gardiner as Adjutant of the regiment.

Hoping that my claims will receive your earliest favorable consideration,

I remain

Your most obt servt,

Moses S. Wadsworth.

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Chapman
Brats to the Left
Yankee Co.
3^d Regt.

A. & C. Coffey & Co. of New York

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