

Stamington Maine July 7th 1862

For Israel Washburn

Dear Sir

I wish not to press ^{you} with unnecessary requests, but Sirs
we see by to night's dispatches that we must have more men ^{officers}
at the present time and knowing that Officers who have been
in service ^(are preferable) sometime, I take this opportunity to again ^{draw} your
attention to the request of Lieut Genas Vaughan now of Gen
Kier's Staff or body guard, I have today received a letter
from him asking once more to petition you to exchange him
to the Infantry now being raised in Maine. He does not wish
to resign but rather to go on and have a position suitable,
he prefers Infantry to Cavalry. Now if you can give him a
chance in any of the regiments now forming please inform me
as soon as convenient with how and I will communicate with
you can have the best of references as to his ability as an Officer &c

Asking pardon for thus asking your attention again I remain Sir

Your abt Servt. Stettin M Putnam,

To His Excellency Gov Washburn
Augusta Me.