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Mitchells Station Va.

May 1st 1864

Gen. Hoodson

Your favor requesting my Photograph is received, and I find myself in possession of one which I forward you. I cannot very well give such a military history of my bravery as many, but will submit a few facts in regard to what I have seen of service, and should you see fit to have it or any part of it recorded on the Photograph you will please do so. -

I entered the service in Sept 1861 in the 9th Me. a Private, went with Sherman's Expedition to South Carolina, and was at the taking of Fort Walker. Hilton Head Island, and from there I went in the next expedition to Florida where we

took Fernandina — returned on
furlough to Maine — was ordered on
recruiting service by Gov. Washburn,
and promoted by him to Captain Co.
C, 16th Regt. Me. Vols, Aug. /62, and marched
from Allington heights Sept. 7th /62,
and have been in the field ever since —
was engaged in battle of Fredricksburg,
Dec. 13th /62 where I was slightly wounded,
and lost in killed and wounded 32
men from my Co. — was in Fredricksburg
the 2^d — Chancellorsville and Gettysburg,
Pa. where I had the command of the
Regt. during the engagement, excepting
a few hours of the first part of the
battle — lost every man of my man of
my Co, that was engaged, the first day
and was the only Captain left in the
Regt. of that dread battle, — was also

in the battle of Mine Run Co.

Very respectfully,

Your Obedt

Servant

Daniel Marston
Captain Comd Co. C, 16th Me