

Wentworth July 29<sup>th</sup> 1862  
To His Excellency Israel Washburn  
Governor of Maine  
Sir

There is a vacancy in  
Co B<sup>3<sup>rd</sup></sup> Me Regt of which I am Commanding Officer  
the position of 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. I should like to have 2<sup>d</sup>  
Lieut. John C Keen commissioned as 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut and  
1<sup>st</sup> Sergt Henry Peneman commissioned as 2<sup>d</sup> Lieut.  
Sergt Peneman was in the Battle of Fair Oaks  
(He will make a good Officer.) and was wounded  
in that battle will be able to go back somewhere about  
the 1<sup>st</sup> of next month. The vacancy was occasioned by  
the death of Lieut Haskell. And hoping that you  
will see fit to commission him. Sergt Peneman  
I remain Your Obedt Servt  
Capt W L Richmond

P.S. Sergt Peneman would be the choice of the Co had  
they a chance to vote  
Hon Israel Washburn

Winthrop Me

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Richmond Capt W.L.

Recommends Lieut J.C.  
Keen and Sergt Henry  
Peneman 3d Me Vols for promotion