

Woolwich Aug 8th 1862

Respected Sir

I take the privilege of addressing a few lines to you in behalf of my Son Henry H. Shaw of Company D Maine 3rd Reg who is desirous of obtaining a commission in his own Reg or one of the new ones that is to be formed under the late call.

And as he has been steady in the service & been wounded in battle and has continued all the time to do duty I claim for him a promotion to the Lieutenancy in some of the companies now to be raised, and if you consider the claims reasonable and will tell me anything that I can do to secure his election I should be highly gratified, & as to Merit in ~~his~~ case I will be responsible, I saw General O. O. Howard yesterday & he told me that he ^{would} do all he could

to assist, if convenient I wish that
you would see him as he is some
acquainted with my son & perhaps can
give you some correct idea of him
pleas to write me on the rest of this
& the prospect, in haste

I remain your obt^d servt

J Washburn Jr
Governor
State Main

Geo. W. Shaw

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Shaw. G. W.

Recommends his son H.
H. Shaw for promotion to
lieutenant in Co. D. 3 Me. V. Inf

2 enclosures

G. W. Shaw,

Woolwich

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Promotion of sn
3^d Regt.