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Chaplain Adams,

Secy on Secum's Staff,

Camp of Maine 5th

Tuesday p. m. June 17

Hon. J. Washburne Jr.

Gov. of State of Maine,

Dear Sir,

I thank you,
for the courtesy & promptness, with
which you replied to my letter.

I take the liberty of addressing you
once more, in order to state a fact,
which may possibly have some bear-
ing upon the application I made in
behalf of my son.

Gen. Hoam, who has had the charge
of our Brigade is now acting as
Commander of Division - & Gen.

Franklin is acting as Commander
of battalions. If this should be a per-
manent arrangement, Gen. Hoam
will be entitled to another aid,
& he told me he "would take my

~~My son~~
"This case under consideration"

My son spent his last winter vacation with me, at Camp Frank, Tex. & made acquaintance with several of Gen. Sherman's Staff, who became interested in him, & have expressed an interest in his being appointed with them officially.

To receive that appointment, it is necessary for him to hold a commission - as civilians are not entitled to a Staff appointment.

My son, for the last year, has belonged to a company in Col. who have accustomed themselves to the Soldier's Manual - so that he is not a novice in some military movements.

I do not wish my son to stand in the way of others - but it has occurred to me if there were no objection that he might receive a commission to fill some of the vacancies of some

of the Regiments of Maine, in order
to be qualified for the position in
Gen. Hecox's Staff. If he did not
secure the position, he could then
obtain his Commission, if that
was deemed desirable by yourself.

My brother Rev. Dr. Adams, of New-
York City, recently wrote a letter of recom-
mendation, in which he wrote of my
Sister, "that he was fit for any situa-
tion requiring pleasure, honesty & fidel-
ity"

Excuse me, Dear Sir, for writing again
on the subject, as I appreciate the
duties & the importance of your official
relations - I only make the above
statement & leave the issue with
you and your honorable decision.

If a commission should be granted
to my Sister, I think it had better
not be with the 5th as Lieut. Sherman
is already detached from the Regt.
for Genl. Hecox's Staff.

There is only one vacancy in the
5th Regt - & Lieut. Jackson has made ar-
rangements for that, with reference to
a worthy man, who has been with
the Regt since we left Camp. Noble -

Making one more apology for
troubling you with another letter, I am

Very truly & most respectfully

Yours &c

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Chaplain of Maine 5th.

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Gov. of State of Maine