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Camp Pitcher, Feb 16th 1863

Sir;

Although an entire stranger, allow me to trouble ^{you} with a line, having no friend to see you personally. I am Assistant Surgeon of the 4th Maine Regiment, and my object in addressing your Excellency is to solicit an appointment as Surgeon in the Colored Regiment of which I am informed you have the appointment of the Officers. I think my record stands fair, with the Regiment, and I would refer you to the Officers in confirmation. If I can not be appointed Surgeon I do not wish to be appointed Assistant Surgeon, as I would prefer my present connection.

Very respectfully
your humble servant
Albion Cobb,
Ass't. Surgeon 4th Regiment
Maine Volunteers.

His Excellency
Abner Coburn Governor of the State of Maine.