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**1862-12-24 James McCobb recommends Charles H. Selden for promotion in a new regiment**

James McCobb

Portland, 24 Dec-112

Hon. J. Washburn Jr.

Governor, &c.

Dear Sir,

The friends of Corporal Selden, of Co. G. 3<sup>d</sup> Regiment were much disappointed in his not receiving an app't. as 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut. to fill the vacancy which lately occurred in his Co.

I believe I understand the position of the Governor in the matter, & have no doubt about his having done just what he ought to have done.

Selden notices that appointments are made out of the Companies & Regiments where vacancies occur. May I ask the further attention of the Executive to his case in this view? He is now at home on recruiting service, but would be glad to return to the army whenever his services are required.

If I seem persistent or ob-  
tusive, please ascribe it to my  
very great interest in the ~~young~~

man, & a thorough belief in his merits,  
& not to any want of respect for  
yourself

Permit me to add, my dear  
Sir, that I most sincerely, with  
many others, regret that the State  
is so soon to lose the services in  
the Executive Chair, of one <sup>to</sup> whose  
zeal & ability & patriotism the  
State owes so much.

With great respect

Yr. Obedt.  
James F. Welch.

Portland Me.

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Mr. Galt. James S.

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for promotion in new regts  
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