

Portland, July 18/62.

Dear General -

A young man by the name of James A. Day, belonging to Comp. V B. 5th Maine, was wounded in the shoulder by a shell at the Battle of West Pt. about May 7. He is in the Hospital in New York since & has lately been sick besides, as he writes. His Hospital is corner 57th St. Lexington Avenue.

His age is now about 19. He enlisted without his father's consent, - who is a worthy citizen of this place. But that is not the point. His mother is in very feeble health, is very anxious about him - and they want to get him home, to take care of him themselves. They want him discharged - or at any rate at home, that they may take care of him. How shall his father proceed in the case? Can you give me some light as to the prospect of what he wants being done, and how, please give me whatever information you can, and relieve their anxious souls. Yours truly, C. Holden.