

Bangor Sept. 25. 1863

Hon Abram Coburn  
Gov. of Maine.

Dear Sir.

We like Doct. Shaw very much. (our present Assistant Surgeon) and would much prefer to have him promoted to Surgeon than to have any new man unless it should be Doct. Martin.

When I wrote in relation to having Doct. Martin for Surgeon. I did not really know much of Doct. Shaw, but now find him an excellent man, and very efficient & would like to have him promoted.

I am here for a few days only, on leave shall return to the Army Monday morning next -

I have the honor to be very  
Respectfully yours

Obt. Servant,

Wm. D. Gilmore  
Lt. Col. 20<sup>th</sup> Maine  
Vols.