

Searspat Nov 9 1863

Gov Colburn

Dear Sir

Believing that promotions  
in the Army to make it reliable, should  
come from ~~Massachusetts~~ I would most  
respectfully ask that Capt Robt H  
Gray of Co D, 11<sup>th</sup> Me Vols for his long and  
well proved services & bravery in the Army be  
promoted to Major of the said Regiment to  
fill the place of the late Beave and  
deeply lamented Major E Whitcomb of this  
town and I would also recommend  
that orderly Co Gray be promoted a  
first Lieutenant of Co J 11<sup>th</sup> Me Vols  
Both Officers have served their Country  
~~through~~ the first of the War faithfully  
hoping you may see it for the  
best interest of the Country to Grant the  
promotions I remain Very Respectfully  
your Obedt Servant  
Chas Green