

Adj. Gen. 3rd Brig 1st Div 5th Corps
Oct 23 1863

To His Excellency
Abner Coburn
Gov. of Maine.

Sir:

I have the honor
of addressing you to recommend to your
favorable notice Asst. Surg. Abner Shaw
to Me. Tolb. The Regiment should have
a full Surgeon and I am confident
from my knowledge of Dr. Shaw's ex-
-ecutive ability, his professional ca-
-pacity and manly deportment, that
the interests of the Regt. would be pro-
-moted by placing him at the head
of its Med. Dept. I am, Sir,

Yr Obedt Servt:

W. W. Tompkins
Surg in Chief 3rd Brig.