

3-1863

## **1863-03 Seth May and others recommend A.G.H. Wood for promotion**

Seth May

To the Hon

Abner Coburn  
Governor of Maine

The undersigned citizens of Bowdoin take pleasure in recommending to your favorable consideration Mr A. G. H. Wood of this town now a soldier in the 3 Regt. Me. Volunteers, Company. K. He is a young man whom we personally know to possess habits which are truly unexceptionable; a moral character above reproach; and a loyal patriotism beyond all question. He was brought up in one of our first families - as a farmer - He enlisted early in 1861, and has discharged his duties as a soldier with constancy and fidelity. He has had no furlough since his enlistment and bears upon his person the bullet mark of the enemy. The 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut of his

in a letter,  
Company addressed to Col. A. Wing  
of this place, incidentally remarks in  
speaking of Mr Wood that "he is one  
of the best men we have; he has always  
been prompt on duty, and has been in  
every engagement that the Reg't  
has been in; and I know that he is  
competent and capable to fill the  
place of Second Lieutenant" Such  
is the testimony of Lieut Penniman  
who has been with him from the or  
ganization of his company in 1861.  
He is intelligent, and suitably educated  
for any position in the company.

We hope that as a reward for his  
bravery and patriotism your Excel-  
lency will find it compatible with  
your duty, as well as your wishes  
to give <sup>him</sup> a commission as Lieutenant  
when even a reasonable opportu-  
nity to do so may occur. We under-  
stand that when enquired of, whether  
he would be willing to take such a

position in a Colored Regiment  
that his answer was if I am de-  
sired to do so I will. His ambition  
seems to be to serve his country  
without much regard to his position.  
With sentiments of high regard  
we are most respectfully  
Your obt servants.

E. Holmes

J. M. Benjamin

John Treasurer

John May

E. H. King

F. E. Webb

Charles Merrill

A. S. Richmond

E. M. Clark

John May

George Longfellow

Charles Howard

Select Men

John Clark

Col

Cyrus Bishop

David Gargill

W. A. Staples.

Winthrop. Me.

March 1863

May Seth  
and others

Recommends A. G. H. Woods  
3<sup>d</sup> Me Vols for promotion

for com in Major Regiment  
March, 63

Rec'd by Capt. A. G. H. Woods, 3<sup>d</sup>