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His Excellency Gov Coburn
Governor

I desire to call your attention to John A Phillbrook, a private in Co G 3^d Maine Regt. He has been connected with the Regiment since its organization, and has served faithfully possessing the Qualities of a good Soldier being an officer in said Regiment during the greater part of the first year of the Campaign I became personally acquainted with him and consider him worthy and deserving of promotion; He would I should not do honour to, and is desirous of being placed in the position of 1st or 2^d Lieutenancy of either a Coloured Regt or any other which your Excellency should see fit to assign him

I have the Honour to be - very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt D. M. Colson