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Sir.

I have the honor to recommend, Serjt  
Charles A. Hopkins of this Regiment, as a  
soldier of temperate habits, brave, energetic, and  
possessing a natural executive ability.

I respectfully  
ask that he receive a Commission in one of the  
new Regiments - now being raised, believing him  
to be in every way deserving of such honor.

I remain Sir

Your Obedt Servt  
Robert H. Gray  
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Recommends Sept  
Chas A Hopkins  
for Penn in New  
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