

Washington D.C.  
Feb 12<sup>th</sup> 1864

To His Excellency  
Samuel O. May  
Governor of Maine  
Sir

I have the honor  
respectfully to recommend to  
the consideration of the proper  
authorities, Private Davis Merrill  
Company "E" 5<sup>th</sup> Maine Vols, to  
be Second Lieutenant in one  
of the new regiments to be  
organized under recent orders  
I am Sir

Very Respectfully  
Your Obedt Servt  
D. H. Merrill  
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