

Wichville March 21 1866
General

One David P. Wood, originally, a member
of Co H, 5th Me. served in that Regt, 18 months,
was a prisoner, 5 mos, of the time. after his exchange
got on a drunk. and deserted. and went to
Baltimore, and at once enlisted in the Navy,
and served, three full years, and at the
expiration, of his term of service, was
regularly and honorably discharged.
and now has that discharge paper.
He now wants to know if by any method
he can have a discharge from the 5th
Me. and thus wipe ^{out} the reproach, that
now stands against his otherwise good name
and character. He is a likely young
man. of good family. and a citizen
of our town. Help him out of trouble if
you can. And please advise me
what can be done, (if anything). And very
much
Yours Very Respectfully
Sent J. L. Hodsdon
Augusta Me
W. S. Dodge