

Ans. Recd
June 14. 66

Office Suffolk Co. Jail Boston
June 11th, 1866

Brig. Genl. John L. Hodgdon
Adjutant General St. of Maine,
General:

I have the honor to state that the discharge given me upon leaving the military service of the U. S. was some time since lost, (I have every reason to believe, burned) - that I wrote to the Adj. Genl at Washington requesting a duplicate, and received in answer that no duplicates were ever granted; and hence I assume the liberty to request you (if not inconsistent with your custom) to furnish me with a simple statement that according to the records in your office that I served in the army - and was honorably discharged the service - as such a document, or something similar is of vital importance to me to enable me to secure a situation I desire.

I enlisted in Co. "H" 5th. Regt. Me. Vols June 23^d 1861, as private - discharged as "Adjutant" on the 10th or 11th. of March 1864

If you can consistently comply with this request, you would confer a lasting favor upon me.

I am, General,

Very Respectfully

Yrs Obedt. Servt

Geo. W. Bicknell
Officer at Suffolk Co. Jail.