

Camp of the 20th Regt. Maine
Vols.

near Mannington Va
Nov 16, 1862

To his Excellency

J. Washburn Jr Governor of Maine
Dear Sir.

Recent changes in this army corps, leave all the brigades of this Division without Brigadier Generals to command them. Recognizing the eminent qualifications of Col. Amos May, Genl. Hooker has written a letter earnestly expressing his "anxiety, that Col. Amos be promoted to the rank of Brigadier General and be assigned to duty in his command". The past services of Col. Amos in this war are as great and as honorable as those of any other officer in the army. And among military men no one sustains a higher reputation. We need not say more to you who know him so well, but may add that Generals Howard & Berry are warmly engaged in his behalf. We trust you will recommend him to the President and give your aid in securing his promotion. We are Dear Gov. Respectfully yours

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Charles D. Gilmore

Hd. Qrs 20th Regt Me. Vol. Inftry
near Washington D.C.
November 20¹⁸⁶²

Chamberlain J. L.

Recommends Col. Ames
for promotion to Brigadier
General of Volunteers.