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Ellsworth, May 16, 1863

Hon. Abner Coburn,

Dear Sir;

I understand, that Lieut. Wm. T. Parker, now of the 1st Regt. Me. Artillery, is desirous of an appointment, as Lieut. Colonel in one of the new Regiments, which may be raised in this State the present year.

Knowing Lieut. P. intimately and confident that his appointment would be to the advantage of the service and the country, I would urge upon you to give him the position, if consistent with your views of duty.

He is a man of high moral principles, possesses a thoroughly disciplined mind, is active &

persevering, and though young and
modest, is yet in my opinion
well qualified for the position
he asks.

So far as he is concerned,
the honor and welfare of the
State, will in his hands be se-
cure.

Very Respectfully,
A. S. Drinkwater