

7-26-1862

**1862-07-26 Lieutenant Solomon Stearns recommends Abner C.  
Goodell for promotion**

Solomon S. Stearns

George Davis

Camp of the 4<sup>th</sup> Maine Reg. Harrison's Landing  
James river, July 26<sup>th</sup> 1862  
Hon. Manibal Kemble;

Sir;

Pardon me for  
calling your attention to a young man,  
a sergeant in Co. "F" 4<sup>th</sup> Maine, who is  
a resident of Hamden Me.

His name is Abner C. Goodell.

He is a very fine soldier and worthy  
a higher position than he may be  
able to obtain in this regiment for some  
time. His bravery and soldier like  
conduct, in these five days of battle  
on our march from the York to the James  
river, won the admiration and praise  
of his officers.

No opportunity has occurred for  
him to obtain a higher position than  
he now holds in this regiment, and  
if you would deem it worth of

Your notice to recommend him  
to His Excellency, Gov. Washburn  
for a commission in one of the  
new regiments now being raised  
in Maine, you would confer a  
favor on a meritorious young man  
and a brave soldier.

He would be missed much  
by his officers if removed, yet they  
have his merit in consideration

Your obt. Servt.

S. S. Stearns

1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. Co. F 4<sup>th</sup> Maine

I heartily endorse what Lieut.  
Stearns has written, and hope his  
request will be met with favor

Yours Very Respy

Geo. S. Davis

Capt. Co.

[over]

Camp 4<sup>th</sup> Me Vol. Inf. near  
Harrison's Landing

July 26<sup>th</sup> 1862.

Stearns S. S. Lieut Co F.

Recommends Abner C. Goodell for appointment to position in Me Vol. Infantry.

Commission of  
Supt. General

Attest

I cordially join in  
the within recom-  
mendation

to the said

To your Excellency