

Portville Catteraugus Co. N.Y. Nov 22nd
1864.

General,

Having made application for an appointment in the Regular Army, and judging, that you know something of my services, and fitness for such position, I take the liberty of asking the favor of a letter from you, with such recommendation, as you can consistently give.

Although not under your command during the last year of the war, yet you undoubtedly know enough of my Military career, to judge of my fitness for the position for which application has been made.

So far as attention to duty is concerned, I think I can say

what but few Volunteer Officers
can, with equal truth declare
that during the three years I was
in the service, I was absent about
a day from my Regt, except
when in Winter Quarters,

Although, for the larger part
of the time, I held no higher rank
than Major, yet I was in command
of the Regt for nearly one half
of my entire term of service,
and I do not think, the reputation
of the Regt suffered thereby.

I was Mustered as Lt. Col. last
January, and Commissioned
as Colonel in Germany, but
was unable to Muster in that
grade, in consequence of the
reduced strength of the Regt.
Any enclosures you can
consistently give will be
gratefully received. My
pecuniary circumstances are

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My excuse for applying
for either a Military or Civil
appointment in the Government.

I am General very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

L. Dummer

1st Lt. Col. 68th Regt.

154th M. Y. Vols.

Major Gen C. C. Howard.
Chief of Collectman's Bureau
Washington D. C.

Portville N.Y. Nov. 25/65

Wm. L. De
Sali Street,
154 N. Mt. Regt

Desires recom-
mendation for
position in
the Regular
Army

Recd Nov. 24, 1865.