



THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE SEVENTEENTH REGIMENT OF ME. VOLUNTEERS.

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To all who shall see these presents, greeting:

Know Ye, That reposing special trust and confidence in the patriotism, valor, fidelity and abilities of G.F. Sparrow, I do hereby appoint him Sergeant in Company "A" of the 17th Regiment of Maine Volunteers in the service of the United States, to rank as such from the First day of August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two. He is therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duty of Sergeant, by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto belonging. And I do strictly charge and require all Non Commissioned Officers and Soldiers under his command to be obedient to his orders as Sergeant. And he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time to time as he shall receive from me, or the future Commanding Officer of the Regiment, or other Superior Officers and Non Commissioned Officers set over him, according to the rules and discipline of War. This Warrant to continue in force during the pleasure of the Commanding Officer of the Regiment for the time being.

Given under my hand at the Head Quarters of the Regiment, at Portland, this thirteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty two.
By the Commanding Officer Thomas A. Roberts Col Commanding the Regiment.
Cha^s W Roberts Adjutant of the Regiment.