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Description: Isaac Dyer wrote to Brig. Gen. George F. Shepley to
recommend Capt. Laurens Joyce of the 15th Maine for promotion to
colonel and commander of a regiment of black troops.