

Infantry in June, 1862, and went into camp at Lynnfield. He was refused muster because of his youth ; but determined to go with the regiment, however, and so served voluntarily, doing duty in various capacities. After a service of nearly a year he returned home, sick. Upon recovery, although only eighteen years old, he was appointed by Gov. Andrew a recruiting officer for the counties of Suffolk and Barnstable, and began the work, (at the request of Col. Rich-



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mond), of recruiting for the 58th Mass. Infantry (the 3d Veterans), and was successful in securing a large number of men, and one day went into camp at Readville, with his own enlistment papers, signed by himself as the recruiting officer,—the only case of the kind, it is believed, on record.

He was promoted to be Sergeant-Major April 21, 1864, Second Lieutenant May 4, 1864, and First Lieutenant June 4, 1864, in which