

Mr. Wm. F. Lee of Virg'a, desiring to become an applicant for a Lieut'cy in the Army, in the event of the creation of additional Regiments, I take pleasure in recommending him for an appointment, if made from Civil life.

Mr. Lee is a graduate of the Virg'a Mil: Institute at Lexington, & is now engaged in the profession of Civil Engineering. He is quite manly in his manners, correct in his habits & energetic in character; & if the services of his forefathers entitle him to consideration, has strong claims upon the country. He is the Grt G'nd Son of Richard Henry Lee of Rev'y memory.

R. E. LEE

Bt Col U. S. A.

West Point 28 Feb'y 1855

Honb'l

Sec'y of War

[JEFF. DAVIS]