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Head Quarters 2<sup>nd</sup> West Maine Vol  
Regt (Army) Augusta Maine Sept 30<sup>th</sup> 61  
Capt Gen Woodson Sir

Yours came at hand this P.M. and I hasten  
to reply. I shall ever be glad to do as  
soon as possible for the sake of my name  
but my dear General I can do nothing of that  
kind in the hands of the General to appoint  
such men to office as he may choose and  
that is as it should be, and I think if had  
of done so in some of the Regts that have left,  
Maine it would have been much better, for I must  
say that it is a disgrace to Maine to have  
such men as Col Tenney & Strickland at  
the head of Regts too useful and well  
known as men that cannot drill a squad  
cannot handle a Battalion and for me I  
feel ashamed of such men for officers. And  
then look at Maj Pierce of the 6<sup>th</sup> what does  
he do just nothing for so that I am not in  
the line of promotion had I of been I should  
not now have been Capt of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, but a little higher  
up. I feel that I can handle a Company or a Regt

and that you may well so. And then our  
fine men in Maine and men that will make  
good soldiers but they must have good officers  
the 6th are not in good shape but never will be  
the 8th are in awful shape and I think  
Strickland will go home for his no place for him  
he can never pay, but my dear sir I should  
like to have to be in one of those new Regt of Light  
for I know the duty and I do not care who if  
for I can pay the men in drill as quick as  
any other man and let me say that if I had  
that for a lot I would have a hell with West  
as has ever left Maine as I would never return  
and I think dear Genl that should you <sup>(as you)</sup> influence  
the Governor would give me a berth where I could  
do the State some good service, for tis a shame  
to have such officers as are sent from Maine and  
I hope they will not send such again  
I am sorry that there is a Regt of Liberty forming  
in Maine for they will not be leath harming in the  
field for some months, you cannot tell what  
well they need and I hope that they will never  
come anywhere near me in a field of battle.  
for I think I can tell how they would act I have

Catany since I left home and do something  
about what will they send. Help to Infantry  
are the troops. but enough I will only add that  
I am much oblig'd to you for your kindness and hope  
that I may through your influence receive a  
Call from the Governor to come home and take  
some place in one of those New Regts. if I do I  
shall ever remember you and shall show you a Regt  
that you are the State of Maine will be ashamed of  
anywhere. Our Regt are in good shape and will  
we have good officers and things so on finally  
hoping to hear from you again soon  
I remain your Obedt Servt

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