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State of Maine General Order No. 30 March 30, 1839

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State of Maine.

HEAD QUARTERS, }
AUGUSTA, MARCH 30, 1839. }

GENERAL ORDER, NO. 30.

Major General ISAAC HODSDON, commanding the State troops in actual service on the northeastern frontier, will leave of the detachment from the third Division, one company of Light Infantry, one company of Riflemen and two companies of Infantry, under command of a field officer, at Fort Fairfield and at the mouth of the Presque Isle of the Aroostook, for the purpose of protecting the public property, until a sufficient civil force is procured by the Land Agent for that object.

General Hodsdon will forthwith return with the remaining portion of the detachment from the third Division, to the city of Bangor, and he will report his command by companies, or larger divisions, as they arrive, to the Adjutant General at that place.

The detachment from the second Division, will without delay return to Bangor, under Brigadier General Batchelder, who will report his command as the several companies thereof arrive, to the Adjutant General at that city.

The officer left in command at Fort Fairfield and at the Presque Isle, on being notified by the Land Agent that a sufficient civil force has been procured to enable him to protect the public property, will immediately retire to Bangor with his command, and report to the Adjutant General.

Brigadier General Batchelder will leave a guard at Township number Ten on the Aroostook Road, sufficient to protect such public stores as may from necessity be left at that post. This guard will be subject to the orders of the acting Quartermaster General.

Deeming it unnecessary longer to continue a military force on the northeastern frontier, the Commander-in-chief directs that the Militia be discharged without delay; and he takes this occasion to express to the detachments from the second and third Divisions, his entire satisfaction with the manner in which they obeyed the call into the service of the State for the protection of the rights and honor of Maine; and their general conduct while in the public service as reported by their respective commanding officers, merits as it receives his warm approbation.

Called into active service at a season unusual for military operations, without preparation and without experience, much inconvenience if not suffering must have been felt by the detachments on duty. It has been the intention of the Commander-in-chief to render their condition one of as much comfort as the nature of the service would permit; and the zeal and alacrity with which they have obeyed the call for their aid, is sure evidence that Maine can rely with perfect confidence on the patriotism of her citizen soldiery, for the protection of her honor and the vindication of her rights.

BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

A. B. THOMPSON, *Adjutant General.*

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