My dear General,

Yes of 22 and 23 that were not written after the unsolicited telegram announcing the resignation, I felt that a hearty reply was not what was due you from me, in view of the very pleasant acquaintance & official intercourse hitherto existing between us. Little I knew about the details & staff duties. I am satisfied of the very great advantage to the State & myself of all officers connected with the military & civil in the present unparalleled emergency, in melting masses of your superior practical knowledge of the legitimate duties & duties of each of us. It was, therefore, to me, a very pleasant reflection, that you might be induced to continue in a position that might render that knowledge available. If I still trust, that our relations are such, that you will not withhold your advice & counsel, from myself & them connected with me, who have in good faith and cordially rendered you position service.

In regard to clerks at Portland, Mr. Dyer was mistaken. The point was I think not itself, what he stated. I have spoken conclusively to all connected with the Inmates, the very great economical necessity of putting all the clerks possible to be employed, upon them. Rules, as many plays continueance of that 1st. Regt. upon our hands involved in expense directly or indirectly of pay subsistence clothing quarterly. N. of 41 1870, the reimbursement of which, by the Town, cannot be effectually obtained, if it. I am convinced against his will, remains of the same opinion still. I can issue in the present imperfect method.
in which the various staff duties are performed at Portland. The little confusion that would have ensued had you not inaugurated a system, which prevents incumbents, as well as the blank, from being carried out.

I commence with an apology for not answering earlier, or letters, but omitted all of it, which is, that I have been preparing orders, thanks to for re-estimating for the purchase of some 100, underwritten companies, the necessary instruments of which, Looking Mill(s) of Portland) chase of them), Sabine, Beaver, N. Dys. (calcite), being entirely ignorant of the business, I had to instand, not to mention that I am almost as ignorant as they are. I prepared, I had printed, me free, I found a much was omitted, that I then set up a letter to each, 64, pages more, making almost all, of rights, to accomplish the work.

The San has read a letter from Cameron,

Sec'y of War, impressing upon you, him, in advance, the necessity of an absolute adherence, in your (his) department, to the following suggestions, which are deemed of the highest importance by the Secretary of War, under whose advice they are submitted to you, for your consideration.
it is not by any means a facility with which, perhaps, therefore, not much had better be said here. Indeed, I think the effect of it here would be to disorganize the Regiment. It would be difficult finding men qualified for service under 30 & 31st with whom parents would be willing to trust.

Their sons—men of the present age, officers of the present and of future service. By this act, would this affect his parents as possible? The men of them all would be taken off the service in such a way, it is, but a suggestion not a fact. It would help, to make the State into the hands of the minister. On the other hand, the State Government is not soliciting troops of us, but we are entrusting them to receive the Regiments, trained, & therefore they can dictate the terms, from which they will receive them.

In view of the fact, that company officers are selected for the 24 regiments, (the not commissions,) it is a dilemma. Not more than 3. casts, as many fits there, would be required under the laws, enforcement of the rule. The remainder, if their respective posturites & the remnant governors would be found desiring the legislature, & Congress, to reimbursement & indemnification, real & constructive for loss of injury of every kind & description, then the injury of men slain & taken, & any way proceeding from the hands of the enemy, is justifiable entirely by the State & Seal, Governments.
abandoned every thing but home at their country.

believe, lives with for a few weeks I sent them

for incompetency, arising from the fact of the unlawfully

criminal, perhaps in being constitutionally more than 22.

33. Years of age. I'm my dear John, notwithstanding

you may now yourself, you cannot, in the 8.

same case, the little we are in. I ought not attempt

to procure a modification of this order.

I want to write you plant various things,

fresh in my mind when I penned, but gone now.

just this instant, now I lose the 3. Maj. Gen. Staffs

that it discharged last week. This idea is, that

they must have their monthly pay & voting, but

not, the permanence. What do you think of this;

Will you? You must please it. Will they not

require as to limit, the expense 1 Maj. Gen. 

pay the others so Brigades? They did so in the

instance that, Maj. Gen. Porter's ends, that 8. on

opinion on this cheap & ends. My point only

is Maj. Gen. But above all this, is the unique

in the services of those Maj. Gen. of the column

in commanders. I knew then that they on demand

receive pay & such Maj. Gen. I showed them to

have them paid in base, upon the paying basis, if

it can be reinstated as, can't.

But I must not stop to write more.

I remain, my truly yours in trust,

John L. Henderson

[Signature]