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Camp near Falmouth, Me.
May 21, 1863.

Brig. Genl. L. Thomas
Dept. Me. U. S. A.
General.

I beg leave respectfully to call attention to the case of 2 Lieut.
whose appointment was revoked by order of War Department—Special Order No. 164,
dated April 10, 1863—in consequence of his not having joined the regiment.

Lieut. Canborn was Surgeon in the 2nd Maine Battery, stationed near New Orleans
and by reason of sickness he was unable to join this regiment until April 1, 1863.

These papers show that he was absent by proper authority, although the
evidence at the time did not reach the Adjutant of this regiment.

He is a deserving young man.
and being satisfied that he is guilty of no negligence in the matter, I desire fully request that he may be restored to his appointment.

I have the honor to be

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

W.T. Chamberlain

Lieut. Colonel Comdg.

20th Maine