



Head Quarters,

Fifth Regiment, M. V. M.

Camp Preble, Portland, Me.

June 8, 1861.

General,

A few words for I find with all my experience at Augusta, there are "many things in Heaven & earth for me yet to learn," I might have learned had the points occurred to me.

1st I have directed to Capt. to make out two pay & ^{two} descriptive Rolls, are both pay rolls & both descriptive rolls to be returned to you or does the Capt. keep one of each?

2^d Do the men receive for their payment on both pay rolls or upon one only—

3^d I understand a Surgeon is here how is his pay to be made up.

4th Are we to pay & discharge all two years men? (This 4th question please answer by telegraph)

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You will doubtless perceive all these foregoing questions, my dear General, excepting the 4th, are somewhat foolish questions for me to ask, but I find myself under the necessity of asking.

The guns arrived as per telegram but Sumner insisted upon supplying his Regt, with Coars Rockland out in the coal, Have you heard from the "Requisition" we made in the name of Col. Remy?

I found the Captains here had done nothing about making up pay or Discharge Rolls, were as green as you please - but they are now doing well & this afternoon will be all complete & this evening tomorrow I shall compare & correct them, so that on Monday the elegant Treasurer can pay them all off. Yesterday afternoon we came up in spite of his pique, we might occasionally hear a silent damn escaping from his lips -
Hartley
C. A. Menden (At U.S. Hotel)