

Military Transport, Bay State, June 15th, 61 -

John L. Hodson

Adjut-General Maine

Si order of Col. Knicker 6th Regime Me. V. M.

I submit the following report of desertion

William H. Ryan	-	Deserted in	Portland
George Brown jr	-	"	Boston
Chas Fall	-	"	"
Peter Thorp	-	"	Portland
James Anderson	} Christie Company	"	"
James Smith		"	"
Thomas Smith		"	"
John Canty		"	"
Michael Deehan		"	"
Henry W. Davis		"	"

William H. Ryan, Geo. Brown jr, Chas. Fall, Peter Thorp, James Anderson, James Smith, ~~Thomas Kan~~ Thomas Kan, John Canty, Michael Deehan, are on Capt High's Muster roll - H. W. Davis escaped only with his clothes -

Major Stickland will inform you whether I have done my duty or not - The fault has been on account of the misfeeling of the general furnished by the 6th - They have also lost many men, and I send this by one of their Lieutenants who returns for the purpose

of relating their desertions. I have no descriptive list with me
as I returned it and duplicate to you -

The confusion in this office I hope will excuse
the imperfection of this list -

Most respectfully your obedient servant -

G. E. Alwood

Lt. 5th Regiment M. V. M.

Dear General,

It gives me great pleasure to add to the above
report, that the facts contained in it are true, except that I
think the fault of escape is not described with entire correctness.
The fault lies with the adjutant, the officers of the day and
the officer of the guard, to whom sufficient orders were given
by Col. Knowles.

Very truly

M. W. Dyer

Asst. Quarter Master General.