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W. H. M. Masters 2^d Regt.

Bellvue, near Alexandria

Sept. 14th 1861

To Hon Israel Washburn

Governor of Maine Sir

I have the honor to enclose to you my morning report, to be used in determining the number of recruits. I will also send one to my brother at Inds.

I wish my brother could be a Captain in one of the Regiments. It is his appropriate place. We are paid off today. I have not yet been assigned to my command.

McClellan told me to let him know as soon as Maj Stoper was likely to come.

All the officers who have been appointed subject to your commission can get no pay today. I wish me to ask you if you cannot forward their commissions if approved. Perhaps you have done so already.

The regiment - is now in prime order, except
a mixture of arms. We got two hundred from
the State Springfield rifles - 188 Belgian rifles
from the Government were sent us & the
balance are our old arms.

Gen. O. O. Howard
Wilmington
Sept. 14

I shall try hard to get Springfield
rifles for the entire regiment.

Our Sick list is diminishing.

Very Respectfully

Yours obedt servt.

O. O. Howard

Breg. Gen. E. Vols

I recommended Capt. Keatts to Col. Jackson.

I think those officers exceedingly foolish to
resign. I can't detect the slightest patriotism
in those resignations.

Very Resp

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