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Fork Sumner, Md. Nov. 2^d 1863.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Return of C^o "M", 1st Regt. Heavy Arty. Me. Vols., showing its condition on the morning of Nov. 1st 1863, together with a record of the changes which have occurred since Nov. 1st 1862. For explanation of diminished number of Artifices in present organization, see note in red ink on roll immediately under their names.

In case of Sergeants Mane and Haycock, reduced Dec. 1st and Jan 22nd respectively, the muster-Rolls state simply, "Reduced to a Private," at such date, without reference to any orders or proceedings, showing the reasons why they were reduced. Nor can I find any such records among the Company papers; And, so far as I can learn from the men themselves, no reasons were assigned at the time. Mane has been absent from the Company sick, since about the time he was reduced.

To

Brig. Gen. J. L. Hodson,
Adj. Gen. of Maine

Very Respectfully

Your Obed Servt,

E. B. May Jr.
Capt. 1st Art. Me. Vol. Comdg Co. N^o 16

E. R. Mayo
Fort Sumner N.M.
Nov 2. 1863