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1861-12-27 Lieutenant R.H. Gray requests payment for service and for room and board while recruiting

R. H. Gray

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Camp Kenyon, near Alexandria
December 24th, 1861

J. H. Hooker, Adj. Gen. Maine, Sir,

I enlisted some men for the 4th Maine, & enlisted some a month before they were mustered. The U. S. will now order the date of muster.

The Gov. held one council to decide that the pay would commence at the date of enlistment. The muster in, and descriptive roll will contain all necessary information. They are justly entitled to their pay before muster. What will you do about the matter?

Also I believe I am entitled to commutation of fuel & quarters, while recruiting under State orders, written by Gov. Washburn. I obtained it, while recruiting under U. S. orders since 30th of Sept. An officer sustains a loss.
on recruiting service, without commutation, because in the field. They have quarters furnished, and cheap rations, but on detached service an officer has to furnish his own quarters and board himself.

Sincerely Respectfully,

J. P. H. Craig

J. L. Woodson Adj. Gen., Maine