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His Excellency Israel Washburne Jr
 Governor of Maine
 Augusta Maine

Division Head Quarters

Halls Hill Va January 26/62

Governor

If in your power to fill up at an early day the 2nd Maine Regiment, now wanting 200 men, you will be doing a most efficient regiment - and a gallant one, excellent service which will add to the credit of the State so soon as the regiment takes to active service which I doubt not will be soon. The regiment is small in comparison with those from other States in the same brigade, which have been kept at the maximum. The regiment is well armed, equipped, disciplined & drilled and prepared to take the field - but its small numbers will not permit it to compete to the desired extent, with other excellent regiments in the same brigade & division. May I ask

you and hope soon to hear of
recruits arriving from you.

Yours Governor

Your Obedt Servant

J. J. Porter

Adj. Genl. Craig