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Hon: Isaac Washburn,

Sir. Augusta.

Allow me to trespass on your time with the following extract from a letter rec<sup>d</sup>. from my brother, acting 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. Company B 5<sup>th</sup> Reg<sup>t</sup>. He has been on duty, every day since the Reg<sup>t</sup>. left Camp Greble, often acting Captain of his company, and, in Brigade drive, detached to act as Captain of another Company, and has performed every duty with credit to the State and himself - He writes - "Although to tell you the truth we don't

have much encouragement to do well,  
for Lieut Stems and I have  
been here all the time, and  
attended to our business, and yet,  
although Capt Goodwin has been  
gone two months and hasn't had  
Command of the Company for  
three, nothing has been done about  
our promotion, and men that  
get drunk, loaf about, and  
shirk all they can, have got  
their Commissions, and conse-  
quently will rank us if we  
ever get out — I have many  
reasons for believing that if it  
depended upon Company B —  
my brother would be elected  
Captain, as now competent to  
Command, than the present Lieut.

Your Obedt Servt

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