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Hd. Brs. 20th Me
Camp near Antietam Ford
Oct. 28th 1862.

Hon. S. Warburn Jr.
Governor of Maine

Sir:

I have
the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter
of the 17th.

Before its
reception I had sent
you a list of vacancies
and the names of
those I considered
most worthy to fill
them. Another
copy of the list will
be forwarded with
this letter. I am

happy to inform you
that the 20th Regt.
has made great
progress in discipline
and instruction.

It is true I
had some opposition
at first - it was
thought I was too severe
but now the officers
know enough to
appreciate my labors.

The opinions
I expressed to you when
at Augusta ^{on military matters} I still
entertain.

Things move slowly.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt

A. Ames.
Col. 20th Me.