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Dear Sir:

In your answer to a letter addressed to you by B. H. Chesley Esq, recommending me as being qualified to fill the office of Captain of a Military Company, you expressed your willingness to "do all in your power to favor my desires".

As the time has arrived when I ought to expect to hear from you, I avail myself of this opportunity of writing, hoping that I may receive a favorable answer to this; giving as a reason for troubling you so soon, my wish to engage in some other business in case of no place either as Captain or Lieutenant ^{being} now vacant, which you may, on the strength of Mr Chesley's recommendation, consider me competent to fill.

To His Excellency A. Coburn } Russell D. Royal
Gov. of Maine }

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