

Camp of 20th Me. Reg.
Near Falmouth Va.
Jan. 17. 1863.

Dear Sir

I received a letter last evening directed to W. S. Brown Capt. Co. E. 20th Me. & being in command of the Co. take the liberty to reply. — The quota of the town of Waldford was enlisted by orderly Sergeants Brown & Wm & N. M. Eugley prior to my being recommended for a captaincy. — I had no understanding or agreement with the Gov. that I was to raise, or pay the expense of raising any portion of my company. —

Respy Yours

Gen. J. L. Hodsdon }

A. W. Clark
Capt. Co. E. 20. Me