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No 25, 4th Maine Vols.
Camp Pitcher, Dec. 25. 1862.
Hon. Israel Washburn Jr.
Governor of Maine.

Dear Sir

Your favor of
the 19th inst. is just received.

Leitch Buns place has now been filled.

He was, as you are aware, mustered as one of
those "transferred to a Skeleton Regiment," from July 1, 1862,
and has not been taken up on our rolls since, but
the vacancy has now been legitimately filled.

In February last, I think, you gave S. S. Stearns a
Commission as 2nd Lieut. in this Regiment, leaving
the date and Company blank.

He was assigned, ^{by then Col. Perry,} temporarily to Co. "H" when
a vacancy appeared, and upon the promotion of
Leitch Davis to Captain, Stearns was appointed and
commissioned 1st Lieut. The 2nd Lieutenantcy of that
company still remains vacant.

I am with respect

Yours obt. servt

J. C. Walker
Col. 4th Maine Vols.