

Head Quarters 4th Maine Vols.
Camp Pitcher, near Falmouth, Vt.
July 17. 1863.

Sir:

I have the honor to forward with this a list of recommendations for commissions to fill the vacancies now existing in my Regiment and those which will occur on account of promotions.

The vacancy, to be, of 2nd Lieutenant in 'E' Company I am not at present prepared to fill on account of the ill health of the one I had designed for that position which is such that it may require him to leave the service.

I do not know to what time you can date back the commission of 2nd Lieutenant in 'F' Company - Probably not previous to 12th of May 1862, at which time Lieut. Stearns, who had previously received from His Excellency the Governor a blank commission as 2nd Lieutenant and been assigned to that company during the absence of Lieut. Reed, was promoted to a 1st Lieutenant.

In regard to Lieut. Stearns I have asked of the Adjutant General U.S.A. that he be reinstated in his former position, he having been tried and acquitted by a General Court Martial on the same charge for which he was dismissed the service by direction of the President. His conduct has been good since

his return to duty and I have no desire to injure him
in any respect.

He is now absent in Washington for the purpose of
caring his claims; an official notification of his dis-
missal having only been received by me two days since
and until which, since his acquittal, he has been on
duty with his company.

He will probably be restored.

We are again under marching orders with a probability
of breaking camp tomorrow.

My Command, what there is of it, is in good condition
in every respect and as ever ready to perform their duty.

With respect I am

Yours obt. servt

Elizah Waller
Col. 4th Maine Regt.

Adjutant Genl

John L. Hodidors.

Augustus Meads.

Falmouth, Va.

Jan 12, 1863

Walker Col. C.

Recommends Officers of
of 4th Me. Vols for Promotion

Respectfully

Col Walker,
4th
Jan 17, 63