

Camp. Pitcher. Near. Palmetto. Va
Gen. Geo. A. Starr

March 2^d

Sir

To break the monotony

of camp life I am sealed to you a few
lines to you hoping that it may be acceptable.
I am pleased that I can inform you
that I am in excellent health and spirit.
We are quite inactive nothing to do
except building roads and doing
picket-duty. The Yankees make a demon-
stration on our lines quite often but they
get the worst of it. They are not only
repulsed but followed by Cavalry
as far as can be made safe. The
Stormy weather has not subsided yet
The roads are quite impossible.
But let Old Maine be patient old
fighting Gen. Hooker will move
in his own good time. He is Sherman
for the places if the Army could but

believe that Little Mac is no more,
he was and is now the most popular
man in the Federal Army.

You know that truth must have its
weight. It has been said that the
army of the Potomac would not fight
unless they had McClellan for a leader.
This is not so they have fought and
will fight again should they ever
get another chance. There is not
much left of the 4th Regt but what
there is left is good. The Regt is
short of Commissioned Officers.

Col. Walker sent some names to
Gov. Coburn for promotion & see that
he has not noticed them or rather
none except those from Rockland.
I have been a Sergeant one year and
three months have been in all the
Battles in which the Regt has been
engaged and feel that I have done
my duty as becomes a soldier.

(Not paid). I cannot get

and a Sergeant. I now feel myself
competent to fill the Office of 2^d Lieutenant
and am quite sure that I should have
been Commissioned before this had I
been a resident of Rockland.
Some have been Commissioned through the
influence of Representations and some
by the influence of the Col^t. But as
Rockland is the only place represented
in Field and Staff. I would solicit
your influence in my behalf hoping
that I may some day have the pleasure
of repaying you for all trouble.

I subscribe myself yours
very respectfully,

Sergt Thomas B. Campbell
Co. E. 4th Maine Vol^t

Washington D.C.

P.S. I received a letter from Joseph C.
Arnold last week he is well but sick
of the show

TBC

Sgt Thomas B. Campbell & 4th

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