1863-10-19 Captain Gray requests that Governor Coburn withhold commissions until he receives Colonel Walker's recommendations

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Sir,

I understand that applications have been made for the vacancy of 4th Regt's. made vacant by the death of Maj. Eden Whitcomb. I have to request that your Excellency withhold your decision, as to who shall be commissioned, until you have heard from Col. Bolton, the line officers of the regiment and the Brig. Gen. Commanding, whose opinions on this point will soon reach you. The rank of Capt. E. Libby in U.S. Service is from March 31st. The rank of P. Col. Bolton is from March 14th. I have commanded this regt. for two months past, and when you have considered such claims as I shall forward, I shall then cheerfully agree to the decision of Your Excellency.

Hon. Eburne 2
Gov. of Maine

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B. Col. Bolton is too well for duty.

Capt. County 4th. Med. N.M.