

Answer

General Court Martial
Rooms 467 - 14th Street
Washington D. C.
Sept. 28, 1864

Genl. John L. Woodson }
Adjt. Genl of Maine }

Dear General

Major Spear writes me that some changes are anticipated among the line officers of our Regt. (20th Me. V.) so that we can take a full new company officered without injustice to those remaining, now if a company can be sent to the regiment it will be very acceptable, I trust we shall have them, I have now in Maine two officers who are not fit for full service just now and I very much desire that they may be placed on recruiting service by: Capt. Joseph F. Lanel of North Edgcomb and 1st Lieut. Holman S. Melcher of Topsham, no applications to have officers placed upon recruiting service

are favorably considered at the
War Dept. unless it comes from
the State authorities. If you can possibly
make an application to have these two
Officers detailed, I think they will be
of much service in filling up the
regiment -

I desire to be with the regiment before
the election comes off and cannot
be relieved here until I have men
enough to enable me to be mustered
very conveniently - I don't want
to see any of my men vote for
the traitors -

Truly yours,
L. D. Gilmore