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South. Boston

March 8/65.

Adjutant Genl.

Dear Sir

I John M^r Donald.
enlisting in the town of Andover Somerset
County State of Maine on the 4th Day
of October 1864 for the term of 3 years
or During the war. And i^e was sent to
the 16th Maine Reg Vols Commanded by
Col Charles W. Hilder and remained with
the 16 Reg untill or about the 15th Day of
May when the 3 years Vols were Mustered
out and I happened to be a Co^l Man
and then I was Transferred to The 20th Maine
Regiment. I remained with this Regiment
untill the 28th Day of June 1865 when
I Deserted from that Regiment leaving
behind 7 Months Pay Due

John M^r Donald
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Adjutant Genl Sir in Obijch in writing to you
is to Obtain a Dishonorable Discharge
which I suppose I am entitled to

Sir

I hope you will use your Best Endeavors
and if possible send me a Discharge.
Sir

I want it understood that I did
not Desert until all the Rebel Armies
had surrendered to the U.S. Forces.

In regard to the Ability of being a
Soldier you can refer to any of the named
Officers of the 16th Main Reg. Company I.

Capt. Ike Thompson, I
Lieut. Gabe Parker,
and Moore

our Regular Company Commander was Capt. Bisbee.

Sir

I believe according to the Secretary of War
Order. I am entitled to a Dishonorable
Discharge with the loss of all Pay and Allowances.
Having stated the Particulars of my Case I will
bring by letter to a close hoping to hear from
you soon and that you will comply to my
Request. I remain Sir your Humble Servant
John C. McDonalds,

Sir

the time that I enlisted for the town of
Embden they were paying \$5.50 town Bounty
all that I received of that was \$250. and I
suppose that Delany and his Partners got the
Remainder of the Bounty

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