## 1862-12-16 Colonel Charles Roberts to General Hodsdon regarding his history of the 2nd Maine Regiment

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Dear Genl,

Your favor of the 16th inst is

before me, am pleased that my little history

of the 2nd was satisfactory to you. As regards

Gen'l [Johnson?] after his promotion I was with

him in no engagement consequently am not able

for want of proper data to do him justice, one

thing however we both are aware of that his

social qualities are unsurpassed and of his

bravery no one has a better record. One thing which

I personally know of is that his superior officers

thought the world of him, he was even [loved?]

by Genls Tyler, Keyes, Kearney & Heinzelman, and

to the latter his death was truly a severe blow, were

he living I have reason to believe that he would

be a full Major Genl. Col. Varney on Saturday

last was slightly wounded in the cheek, Capts Wiggin,

Nelson, and Adjutant Mudgett were slightly wounded

I have not as yet heard of any privates being

killed but four such is the case. hon

Geo. P. Sewall is the man alone all others to

give you the proper data in regard to our

lamented friend but I am willing to risk

the [?] of whatever you may deem

expedient to write [?].

Very respectfully

I remain yours

Chas. W. Roberts

Col. 2nd Maine

PS. Please suggest to Gov. Washburn that

I have as yet heard nothing from my resignation

I am truly unfit for active service, all I

would like to immediately receive my discharge.

I wish you would ask him if possible to

hurry it up a little as I cannot bear to

remain a military loafer, and could I stand

a winter on [Horn Brock?]. I would rejoin

my command at once, but Drs [?] Rich

and Morrison advise me by all means not to

attempt so doing for some months if ever.

CWR

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