

Dyer

Camp Court Village Oct. 3rd 1781

I wrote you some time last summer, that a Vacancy for a Lieutenant happened in the 2nd New Hampshire Regiment, on the 19th of April 81, in consequence of Lieut. Luke Woodburys then resigning which Vacancy belongs to Ensign Rob^{ts} Williams; a Brecht was then requested, which is not yet come to him.

I also begg leave to Inform you, that on the 13th Ultimo, Lieut. Pelatiah Whitmore was discharged the service; which makes a Vacancy for Ensign Moses Page to be a Lieut. from that day.

The two young Gentlemen, are very anxious to have their Appointments sent on as soon as possible; as they are daily injured by young Officers taking rank of them; which they should not have had they their right. If it is practicable, I wish their Appointments may be sent on by the bearer Lieut. Blanchard.

We are waiting with some Impatience to hear from the Southward; something of Importance must soon arrive; Cornwall is surrounded on all Quarters, & must inevitably fall. The English Fleet has suffered greatly in the late Action at the Southward - by authentic Intelligence the Indians Troops & some Regular Troops intend to strike a blow on the Frontiers above Albany - I am ordered to hold myself in readiness with the 2nd New Hampshire Reg^t to Embark for Albany at a Months Warning.

The New Hampshire Troops are at present in the most deplorable situation on account of Cloath-
ing.

Cloathing that they have been in since the Com-
-mencement of the present War - And what adds still
to our Calamity we have no Money at least none that
will answer any particular purpose here - All the
other State Troops serving with us have been happily
supply'd with thin Cloathing the last Summer &
have also Received part of their wages in hard money
none less than six weeks some two months & some
more which very justly causes a Murmuring and
Dissatisfaction in the Militia. Some of which may
perhaps terminate in very disagreeable consequences
I refer you to the bearer Lt. Richard who
can fully Inform you of our Inbarassments
A little hard money to the Troops at this juncture
might answer a very valuable purpose

I am with the greatest esteem

Your Most Obedt^o

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Letter from Col. Geo. Reid,
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Honorable Mr. Mearns

from Col. Geo. Reid of
the 8th Oct 1781
to be laid before the
Genl Court at
Concord