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Hon^r Sir

I was glad when Informed by Cap^t Gile
that my Reg^t was in a fair way to be compleated
hope it will be soon, was also Informed that Lieu^t
Olsen was not coming into my Reg^t. If so it would
be verry agreeable to me that if there is ^a vacancy
in that or any other Company in the Reg^t. That
M^r Robert M^r Murphy might have an appoint-
ment ~~in~~ it will likewise be agreeable to all ^{my officers} who
are Present as ^{he} is a noted good Soldier, & he has served
as a Volunteer with the Reg^t. Since we arrived at this
place ~~nothing~~ nothing new at this place since the enemy
burnt part of warren & part of Bristol, - An express
is just arrived from Gen^l Washington its not yet
known its contents, Cap^t Dearborn has ^{his} full Quota
of men as Cap^t his Second Lieu^t Wheaton but five
men. as the men are much wanted here, Pray that
Such deficiencies may be made up I am Sir
with Sentiments of esteem & Regard your
very H^{ble} Serv^t S. Peabody Lieu^t Col^l.

I disdain every thing that is irreparable:
and would maintain the rights of all men in a
consistent way: but justice to our Consistants
demands that some unpopuler measures be used

Letter from Col. J. Peabody.
May 30, 1778.