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Sir as I am sensible the State generally
suppos they have more men in the Field
then they really have, I think it my duty
to inform your honour what number of recruits
have joined the New Hampshire line this
Spring, inclosed is a return of their num-
ber, — I suppose it is thought by some
there has been three or four hundred
sent on, I most sincerely wish there had been
I fear our Reg^ts will be very small this cam-
paign, the other States (even Massachusetts) have
sent on a much larger proportion then New
Hampshire, — we are still in huts, but
expect to take the field in a few days. —
Col^o. Scammell has the command of a de-
tachment near the lines, & I believe does
not expect to join his Reg^t soon, — desertions
are too frequent with us, altho severe
measures

measures have been taken, John Dowel a
deserter brought from Exeter this Spring was
executed, & several have been severely pun-
ish'd. I fear the Inhabitants in the vicinity
of our Camp induce our men to desert,
three Sergeants & a number of privates have
deserted lately, we have taken all possible
pains to take them up, have taken several;
~~we have~~ we have nothing new in this Quarter,
you have undoubtedly heard before this time,
that Lieut. Corn Wallis, Arnolds party,
the last reinforcement from New York, have
found a junction in Virginia, while Genl
Green was gone into South Carolina, -

I have the Honour to be

with great respect

P. S. Genl Green has done
wonders, has reduced all the
posts in S. Carolina, except
Charleston, taken above 40
officers & 700 rank of soldiers lately
on the express from him.

Your Honour most obedt,
& very Humble Servt.

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