

Head Quarters 10<sup>th</sup> H  
Camp in the field  
near Spottsylvania Va

May 20<sup>th</sup> 1864

To His Excellency Gov. Smith  
Gov.

Yours

of May 4<sup>th</sup> is received.

I am pained to learn  
that you consider "that the  
discipline of this Regiment is  
not what it ought to be,"  
and see cause to censure me  
as its commanding officer as  
the cause of it. It has always  
been my study to make the  
10<sup>th</sup> H., one of the best  
Regiments that ever left the  
State, and one they would  
be proud of, and it seems  
hard to be censured for