

though I have been at the trouble of writing twice or thrice to him, as well as to the other Captains in this Battalion, of the officers and men who met me some were desirous that Wells should be first Colonel; about the same number that Moore should be first Colonel, and about a like number that declined expressing any inclination either way, so that I do not know whose appointment would most promote the public service, yet I think it necessary commissions should issue, and be sent to the chief Colonel, as well for the command as field officers as soon as possible, perhaps by so doing we may get some of them to stir - I enclose you a list of the Captains, Lieutenants and Ensigns as they stand without regard to Field Officers. This list I made out from the Officers who met, differing in some instances from those returned by the Companies because of refusals &c. From several unforeseen delays I judged it unnecessary to proceed on Wednesday - I shall go tomorrow - I cannot but repeat my request that you'd send 1000 pair of shoes to Philadelphia - many poor fellows will want shoes by the time they get there, and I wish you'd give me a conditional credit for blankets, if to be got for a good many more without em. If you have it in your power too to send us a skilful physician it will be well worth while, we are badly off, and the people who go from the little care taken of their country men, are very apprehensive of fatal sickness, indeed I fear that their scanty clothing will subject them to severe pleurisies

The Honourable the Council
of Safety of Maryland

I am Gentlemen, Your Most Obedt Servt.

Th. Johnson Junr

David Moore, Capt.
Eph. Howard } Lieut
Upton Sherdine }
George Beckwith, Ensign

Henry Baker, Captain
Gorge Cobble, 1st Lieut.
Anthony Lindsey, 2nd Lieut.
Andrew Eggart, Ensign

James Wells - Capt.
William Winchester, 1st Lieut.
James Winchester, 2nd Lieut
John Fowler - Ensign -

Henry Stephenson, Capt.
Charles Stephenson, 1st Lieut - } The Commissions came eight
Henry Myler - 2nd Lieut } except in the description of the
William Stephenson - Ensign } Battalion - Col Upton Sherdine
of Battalion

Simon Meredith, Capt. Charles Warfield 1st Lieut - Abm. Moore
2nd Lieut, and William Gilmore ensign