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His Excellency

Isaac Shelby

Governor

of Kentuckey

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Thos. Johnston
Aug 4th 1813

Shelby County August 4th 1813

Dear Sir

I received your favour of July 31st together with an address to the Militia of the County, for which I am much indebted to you, I am at a very great Loss at this moment to hazard a clear opinion upon the chance of Volunteers from Shelby Cty, however, I will venter two companys at any rate and a great probability of four, two companys of Cavalry and Colo Castlemans Regt are to meet on Saturday next and other Regts in other parts of the County, I shall then have Ocular demonstration of the Patriotism of my County men, and will immediately write you on the Subject, I am not myself attempting to raise a company for as the old Saying is two many Cooks spoil the broth, I can assure you Sir it has always been my intention to go with

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you once is at this time, nothing but death shall prevent, I am at your disposal deal with me as you think I am best capacitated to act, you know my Standing in Society my genealogy &c I have always thought a bundle of recommendations unnecessary where a man is known, altho it is very fashionable, If there is no place left for me I can assure you Sir it will not lessen my Esteem for you for I very well know it is out of your power to give every body Commissions. It would please me beyond measure to act near you. I will promise to be as active and as attentive as any other man could be I turned out as a Private before and will do the same now if I can get nothing better, I shall be in Frankfort on Monday week next when I shall see you untill then I shall rise in every direction through

the County to encourage Volunteering

I have the Honour to be, Sir, very &
respectfully, your obedient Servt &c &c

Thomas Johnston

Hon. Isaac Shelby

Governor Kentucky

Elisabeth Town Aug.st 5. 1813

Dear Sir

I red a request published in the palladium dated Frankfort July 30th 1813 requesting your fellow Citizens to rendezvous at New Port on the 31st August next on sight of the above I ordered my ridgement to rendezvous in this place on the 14th Instant. for the purpose of raising Volunteers to share with you the fate of the intended Campaign you will please to inform me the manner in which they are to be equipped and the probabillity of their being compensated for their Services

Your Obt. Servant

N. Miller Colo 3rd R.K.M

To his Eccelency Govenor Shelby

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Isaac Shelby

Governor of Kentucky

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Governor Shelby

Louisville 7th August 1813

Dear Sir

Your favour of the 31st Ult.mo was not received by me until the 5th Instant I had previous to the Receipt of your letter directed my Son James to Turn out and try to raise three Volenteers I have attended two or three musters on this day. I am sorry to say the prospects are not such as I could wish; there is however some scattering persons that talk of Turning out there is a meeting of the citizens of this County requested on Monday next when I will attend and use all my Influence with the people to induce them to turn out, there will be an opportunity I think by the middle of next week of forming some Judgment of what will be done in this quarter, I should have been in Frankfort today but for the Receipt of your Letter, you may depend on every exertion being made by me to

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get men forward and you may expect to see me by Wednesday or Thursday next in Frankfort I believe men could be had if there was horses for them, and I have and will urge all those who have horses and will not go themselves to let their horses go, there has been enquiry of me what the pay will be which I have not been able to answer; You request to know if it will suit my Convenience to go with you my Dear Sir Convenience will not be consulted by me, nothing but a want of Ability in point of bodily health will prevent it, that I have Reason to fear will, but If I find my going will be an inducement to get men to turn out from this County I believe I shall not even consult my health, I will write you again by Tuesdays Mail and wish I may have it my power to give you a more Flattering prospect of our Patriotism, than I can at present I am with Great respect & Friendship

Your Obed.t Serv.t

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