Col.o Jas. M. Dowell
Augs 14th 1814

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His Excellency Governor Shelby
by Mail

Frankfort

August 14th 1813 Lexington

Sir

In perfuance of your orders I Directed Each Troop of Horse in my Regt to perade on the 11th Ins. letting them know it was your wish and my own that the would meet the Call and it was my wish the Should turn out in Mass for the Expedition I am Sorry however to inform you that a disposition to this Effect was not Evined but few Volunteered there was three troops met on that day in this place Fishels Sanders & Castlemans and about Ten turned out Millers Troop in Harrison County is Engaged under Johnston and prisoners of war all but 13 his Lieut. and Cornet is all under ~~[illegible]~~ him I have had no Return from Capt Buford of Woodford But understand he is trying to rais a Comp. I had determined when I returned home Last fall

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Not to go to war any more without
the Regt Was called, there has a numbe
of Gentlemen Joined the Regt to get
clear of going I rather Expect Suppo
sing they would not be called as horse
men, and all called would clear them of a draft,
and has Expressed themselves that they
Wished to go in that way but now
it has come to the time but one officer
turned out and the number Express'd.

I am Sir Your Obt

Ja S. McDowell Lieut Colo
2d Regt Kentucky Cavalry

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Col. Abm Miller
Augst. 12th 1818

His Excellency
Governor Shelby
Frankfort
Kentucky

Governor Shelby

Middle Town 15th Aug. 1813

Dear Sir

On my Arrival here to day I am informed of the Idea entertained by the Field Officers in this County with respect to the manner in which the proposed draft is to be executed; which I conceive contrary to the Spirit and intention of your Excellency's order on that Subject and I have cause to fear will tend to injure the Volunteer Services, The Orders say that unless the number called for from each division &c are made up by Volunteers Enrolling themselves &c a draft is to be made on words to this Effect, The construction put upon this by the Field Officers I am informed is, that let any number of Volunteers whatever (less than the number called for) Turn out unless the full number volunteers their Services, those who do Volunteer will be drafted with the others and not admitted to go as mounted Volunteers, this I conceive is not consistent with either the Spirit or intention of the Order, A Muster is ordered Wednesday next, and the draft to take place on Thursday unless the full number of Volunteers turn out, I hope there will

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be Volunteers enough unless this plan of drafting prevents it, I have taken the liberty of communicating thus to you with but any known opportunity of Conveyance, but hope it will reach you in time, to give any explanation or further instruction on this Subject that you may Judge expedient by the Mail on Tuesday next; I will attend the muster and prevent as far as my influence will go, any measure being adopted which will tend to injure what I conceive to be the Intention & Spirit of your orders on this occasion, but would much rather know your Sentiments, or that you would communicate them to the Officers; believing you are sensible I am actuated solely from the best of motives my Countrys Good, I deem it unnecessary to make an apology for troubling you with these lines; May health happiness, prosperity & Glory attend you is the Sincere desire of

Your Sincere Friend
And Hble. Servt.

Abr. White

Col. J. C. Ba[illegible]

Franklinton
augt. 16

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J. O. Bartlet
Q. M. G.

His Excellency,
Gov. Isaac Shelby
Frankfort Kty

Franklinton Augt. 15. 1813

Sir,

Major Trimble arrived here to day and informed me, that you would move from Cincinnati with amounted force of 4000 men on the 31st instant, and that you had some doubts whether this Dept. would supply forage, before Genl. Harrison was consulted on the subject. I have without hesitation determined that no obstacle of that kind shall be thrown in your way, and have directed forage to be in readiness at the different deposits from Cincinnati to Urbana, and if practicable within 20 miles in advance of that place, from whence you can reach Head quarters in two days. The Asst. D. Q. M. Genl. at Dayton will inform Captain Bryson at New Port where the deposits are made, which will be communicated to you on your arrival at that

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Port.

I have no news from Head Quarters. Com^d Perry sailed from Erie on the 2nd instant in quest of the enemys fleet. Our anxiety is great to hear the result of the rencontre, upon which the ~~movements~~ fate of this army hangs.

I am Sir,

With great respect

Your most Ob^d Servt

J. C. Bartlett

Q^m Mr Genl

8th M. D.

His Excellency

Govr Isaac Shelby