

c. s. c. Philip Nutter 2nd Lieutenants and John Karn Ensign. I believe no commissions ever issued for this company. Stricker was Capt. and Heister I believe first Lieutenant (both in the regular service) Swearingen 2nd Lieutenant it was at first a minute Company. In James Johnson's Battalion, my brother writes me commissions are wanting for John Martinete as Capt. John Sleybaker first and Christian Lafever 2nd Lieutenants, and Henry Woolhite Ensign. I believe the former Captain of this company is in the regular service. the last mentioned company have marched and the first will in a day or two, on the presumption that Commissions will issue as desired, which I wish to be sent to Philadelphia. In my last I mentioned to you my intention of meeting the Linganore Battalion, and endeavouring to get them to accomodate their differences about officers. I went to the place on Wednesday, but few of the men and not quite half the officers attended my journey was fruitless, though most of those who attended declare their willingness to march, yet none of them will give up their pretensions. I inclose you M^r Sheredine's and M^r Howard's resignations, Joseph Hobbs, Nicholas Hobbs and Nathan Manyard in Basil Dorsey's company have returned their commissions. The Hobbs's refuse to act at all. Manyard I am told ought to be first Lieutenant. I have not seen Capt. Dorsey, nor heard from him 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 inclose 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 march 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 countrymen, are