

RESOLVES OF THE MARYLAND CONVENTION 23 OCTOBER, 1776.

"Resolved, That three companies of artillery, each company to consist of ninety-two privates, four serjeants, four corporals, one drummer, and one fifer, commanded by one captain, one captain-lieutenant, and two lieutenants, be immediately raised; one of the said companies to be stationed at Baltimore town, and the remaining two companies to be stationed at the city of Annapolis. That the non-commissioned officers and privates be enlisted in the service of this state for the war: and they shall not be compelled to march to any place out of this state."

MARYLAND ACTS—JUNE, 1777.

"An ACT to reinforce the *American* army.

And be it enacted, That the governor and the council be empowered to order any part of any of the artillery companies raised for the immediate defence of this state, not exceeding sixty-six privates, under officers proper for such a number of artillerists, to march with all expedition to the city of *Philadelphia*, there to obey the orders of congress, or of his excellency general *Washington*, and to remain in the continental service during this campaign, or so long as the commander in chief shall require their service, unless the exigencies of this state should require their recal by the governor and the council."

RESOLVES OF CONTINENTAL CONGRESS, 20 OCTOBER, 1777.

"Resolved, That the governor and council of Maryland be informed that the artillery regiments in the service of the United States have suffered so much in the late engagements, that there are not a sufficient number to do the duty of artillery-men in the army, and therefore that the government of that state be earnestly requested to order the companies of matrosses in the service of the state of Maryland to join the army immediately, and that the said companies shall be ordered to return whenever the government of that state shall require it."

A COMPANY OF MATROSSES AT ANNAPOLIS.

Capt. Thomas Watkins
1st Lt. Levin Lawrence
2nd Lt. Thomas Todd
3rd Lt. John Iiams, Jr.

Officers elected
by the Convention
of Maryland
Oct. 26th, 1776.*

* See Proceedings of the Convention, pg. 288.