

**GENERAL ORDERS.**

The commander in chief of the Militia of Maryland, having been called on by the President of the United States, in virtue of an act of the Congress of the United States, passed the 10th instant, entitled "an act to authorize a detachment from the Militia of the United States," to organize, arm and equip according to law, and to hold in readiness to march at a moments warning six thousand of the Militia of Maryland [the States' Quota] to be detached and duly organized into companies, battalions, regiments, brigades, and divisions within the shortest period that circumstances would permit, and in the proportions in the call specified, to comply with the demand of the President of the United States, I request of you, that immediately you call on the Major General of the third division of the Militia of Maryland, that with promptness and dispatch he furnish by draft or otherwise 2,284 of the Militia under his command, consisting of the following descriptions, to wit: three companies of Artillery, each containing forty men; three troops of Horse, each containing thirty five men; three regiments of Infantry containing eighteen hundred and twenty four men; and three companies of Riflemen containing two hundred and twenty men, the proportion of that division.—That you call on the Major General of the second division, that with promptness and dispatch, he furnish by draft or otherwise 2,179 of the militia under his command consisting of the following descriptions, viz. two companies of artillery each containing forty five men; three troops of Cavalry each containing thirty five men; three regiments of Infantry containing eighteen hundred and seventy four men; and two companies of Riflemen containing one hundred and fifty men; and also that you call on the Major General of the first division, that with promptness and dispatch he furnish by draft or otherwise fifteen hundred and thirty eight of the Militia under his command, consisting of the following descriptions, to wit: two companies of Artillery, each containing forty five men; two troops of Horse, each containing forty men; two regiments of Infantry containing twelve hundred and sixteen men; and two companies of Riflemen containing one hundred & fifty men. That you also require of the respective Major Generals, that they cause immediate returns to be made of the men, designating those which may be drafted and those who may volunteer their services. It is important that the returns be made immediately after the men are obtained, that they may be organized, armed and equipt, and exercised by the officers that may be set over them, in conformity with the provisions of the Act of Congress, and in virtue of which the requisition is made, in order to be in readiness to move at a moments warning.

ROBERT BOWIE.

Government House, April 30, 1812.

SIR,

You are directed to have immediately forwarded to the several Major Generals of Maryland, the enclosed general orders with a request that they may be promptly complied with and executed.

I am sir,

Your obt. servt.

ROBT. BOWIE.

John Gassaway, Esq.

Adj. Gen. S. Md.

The above orders have been accordingly forwarded to the respective Major Generals.

JOHN GASSAWAY, Adj. Gen.

The following is the number of officers to be appointed out of each division of the Maryland Militia, to command the Quota of Troops called for by the President of the U. States.

For the division commanded by General

Wilkinson.

ARTILLERY.

2 Captains, 4 Lieutenants.

HORSE.

1 Major, 2 Captains, 4 Lieutenants, 2

Cornets.

INFANTRY.

2 Colonels, 4 Majors, 20 Captains, 20 Lieutenants, 20 Ensigns.

RIFLEMEN.

2 Captains, 4 Lieutenants.

For the division commanded by General

Winder.

ARTILLERY.

2 Captains, 4 Lieutenants.

HORSE.

1 Major, 3 Captains, 6 Lieutenants, 3

Cornets.

INFANTRY.

3 Colonels, 6 Majors, 30 Captains, 30 Lieutenants, 30 Ensigns.

RIFLEMEN.

2 Captains, 4 Lieutenants.

For the division commanded by General

Smith.

ARTILLERY.

3 Captains, 6 Lieutenants.

HORSE.

1 Major, 3 Captains, 6 Lieutenants, 3

Cornets.

INFANTRY.

3 Colonels, 6 Majors, 30 Captains, 30 Lieutenants, 30 Ensigns.

RIFLEMEN.

3 Captains, 6 Lieutenants.

JOHN GASSAWAY, A. G.

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