

I send you also copy, as requested of the statement made up in this Department to October 1st 1852 of the number of Volunteers furnished up to that date from this State, and the Organizations to which they are attached. This statement has omitted as you will perceive, one Company of 84 men (the 1st of Guards) which if added to the aggregate of that statement will make the whole number of volunteers from the State up to the day named, 13427. In the statement of a similar account made up at the Adjutant General's office by Major Vincent, a copy of which I believe you have, and which is made up to 30th June 1853, the number of volunteers with which the State is credited amounts to 12,440; but in this I find there is an omission to credit us with Batteries. &c. &c. First Maryland Light Artillery amounting to 339 men, and with Smith's Independent Cavalry Company of 104 men, and Third Regiment Potomac Home Brigade of 345 men.

If these three items be added to the credits in Major Vincent's account, it will make its aggregate of credits 13,588 volunteers or 131 more than in our own account, a small difference and easily accounted for from the fact that our account is only brought up to 1st October 1852 and the Adjutant General's account is up to 30th June 1853, and the additions to old Regiments between these two dates included in the items of the last mentioned account under the term of "recruits for all arms" would more than make up that small difference.

It is satisfactory to know that there is so close a correspondence in these accounts when known omissions are corrected, and I refer to these figures rather on that account, than as rendered necessary by any claim now made to offset against old accounts the volunteers furnished by us between the President's Proclamations of 15th June last and the making of the ensuing draft. I am now happy to understand since my interview with the President and yourself yesterday that there will be no difficulty in allowing these volunteers according to their terms of service, as credits to the State on that Draft when it is made.

In your letter to me of 14th Inst. you state the number of these last mentioned Recruits up to that date - some for six months and some for three years - to be 3600 men - I shall be obliged if you will furnish me with a statement giving as nearly as you can the organizations to which these men are attached, as it will facilitate the arrangements I am making to ascertain the particular portions of the State to which they should be credited.

I am very Respectfully,

Your obt. Servt.

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For copies of the statements mentioned in the above letter see next page 47