

pay your Orders. We are persuaded you will think  
with us, that as you go, as Auxiliaries, it will be proper  
and necessary, that you act under the Directions, and  
Orders of the Officers of the Colony of Virginia, having  
the Command in the Place, where you shall be station-  
ed, but in case there should not be an Officer appointed  
for that Purpose, and there should be a Necessity  
for the two Companies acting together, it is then  
our Opinion, that Captain Kent should take the  
Command of both Companies, and also of that of  
Dorchester County, if that Company should, as we  
are not without Hopes it will, march down as di-  
rected - should any thing occur to you, that may  
be further necessary for your Companies on the  
Service, in which they are engaged, you will be pleased  
to acquaint us with it, as soon as you can, and all  
proper Attention shall be given to what, you may  
desire.

We are &c.

July 14<sup>th</sup> 1776.

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