

The Maryland side were Colonel Smallwood's. —

We observe what you say about the Flying Camp, and shall do the best we can, we shall give the necessary orders for finding the Troop Stations, in expectation that the subsistence money will be reimbursed. — As soon as the Regulars are replaced, that have and are about to march to the Northward; we shall use our endeavours to complete the remaining Battalions with all diligence and send them forward either in Battalions or Companies as they get ready. — Most of these we have seen of the new enlisted men appear to be quite raw, and in great want of necessary, some pay must be advanced to put them in tolerable condition to appear in. — On Tuesday last we gave orders to Captain Thomas to march with his Men to Philadelphia, as soon as the commanding Officer below thinks he can be spared, and this Day, on receipt of your Letter, we have ordered Captain Hindman to move forward, altho' we apprehend the Eastern Shore will be weakened thereby, and we are doubtful that will be the next place invaded. —

We feel for the state of New York, but cannot help feeling also for Maryland, and shall endeavour to conduct ourselves in such manner as to give every assistance in our power to them, and to the common cause, without exposing ourselves to destruction. — Since the march of our Regulars, we are truly in a defenceless state, and if powerfully invaded, know not what may be the consequence, however we hope for the best, and are exerting ourselves to the utmost; — We wish our Powder, that arrived at Egg Harbour, to be sent to Baltimore — the Arms we desire may be left at Philadelphia, for the use of one of the Companies of the Flying Camp, who will have our order to call for them. —

We approve of what you have done as to the five Thousand Dollars, and would have you keep the balance to answer contingent expenses,