

to be the action and spirit, and we have been to see  
him to get action - for the sentence from you  
might be of service to him - Capt. Martz's company was  
ordered to St. Mary's, but we have this day given an order  
for their moving to the northward - Capt. Thomas is on  
the way to Phila. Col. Lewis's Battalion is also under  
marching orders, two or three companies of his Battalion  
are near Tracy, and we are doing all we can to forward the  
others; they want but every thing - we have some for  
one half the Battalion we have, besides 270 lately  
imported, not yet come to hand - those with what we  
expect from the manufacturers will enable us to complete  
Col. Canale's Battalion, which we propose to keep  
Col. Kent has resigned & so we have had Col. Cook - both  
endeavouring to obtain a seat in Congress - two or three  
Eastern shore companies will be ready to march next week,  
two other companies have become arms, and are to supply the  
place of Captain Nantz and Capt. Shurman - the rest  
will be very slow, we fear, in getting arms - Brig. De  
kath also resigned, and is elected for Charles County - and  
all the difficulties arising from want of arms and mechanics  
and also from resignations, we are exerting ourselves to the

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