

and Captain Deane are now ready to march, as they inform us, and General Sutherland has given out as great many recruiting warrants, the business goes on but slowly we fear; the Rank of the Officers occasions, we believe, a good deal of Uneasiness; the Commissioners, who were sent up with full Powers by the late Convention, have returned their Proceedings to this Board, by which it appears they have granted Commissions to most of the Field Officers, Captains, and First Lieutenants, and to some second Lieutenants of seven Battalions, leaving the eighth of the German Battalion: - several have resigned, and the General thinks others will resign, if the Proceedings of the Commissioners be not reviewed. - We do not think this Board have Powers sufficient to control what the Commissioners have done. - We have therefore thought it advisable to call the General Assembly, before whom we propose to lay the whole Affair, and after the Rank is properly settled, we hope the recruiting will go on briskly. -

Yours of the 14th inclosing Resolves of Congress of same date relative to the Continental Currency came to Hand yesterday, we shall lay those Resolves before the General Assembly, together with the other dispatches, as soon as they meet, which is ordered for the 29th instant. - We have the Honour to be with Esteem and Regard. Y^r Mo^r ob. Serv^t

Jan^y 21st 1777.

W^m Michael Parke.

We are informed by Mr. John Hollingsworth, that

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