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Maj. Genl
Samuel Smith
of the 3d Division
of Maryland Militia

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The commander in Chief of the Militia of Maryland, having been called on by the President of the United States, in Virtue of an Act of Congress of the United States, passed the 10th of April 1812, — "Entitled an Act to authorize a detachment from the Militia of the United States — Organized, — Armed & Equipped, according to Law, — and to hold them in Readiness to March at a Moments warning, — Six thousand of the Militia of Maryland, being the quota of this State — and the Commander in Chief having, called on Major Genl. Samuel Smith of the third Division, for his quota, being 2269 men, Officers included, — and Genl. Smith having called on Genl. Stansbury of the Eleventh Brigade, to furnish 419 Infantry, 73 Riflemen, and — one troop of Cavalry, consisting of 35 men Officers included, — Therefore this Troop commanded by Capt. Josias Green, having Associated themselves together, with a view, and intention, to support, maintain, and Defend, the Constitution, and Independence of the United States, and their Rights, and Liberties of Free Men, — with all their prerogatives, — against Foreign Enemies, or Internal Foes, — And being satisfied those Inestimable Rights, are assailed, and attempted to be trampled on, by our implacable Foes, the British Government, — And the time having Arrived, when the American Government having