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Sir, Receiving your Orders so late as Yesterday Morning, found it impossible to Assemble any Battalion till tomorrow when they are ordered to meet me at Queen Ann, however upon the receipt of yours last Night immediately sent out Fresh Orders for the Companies near hand to be Collected as soon as possible this Morning, have been in Town all day and not more than sufficient not ~~there were sufficient~~ to guard the Tories Sent here, as the Companies are made up tomorrow will send them off, I am told we shall meet Very well which I wish we may. I am

Your Excellencies Most Obl Servt.

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