of Riflemen. I have also Appointed, Elias Butler forage Master, I flatter myself those different arrangements will meet your Excellcy.s Approbation ——

On Yesterday my whole Detachment formed a Junction at this post & Made a Total Including Officers of 1559 Men, I shall March 1500 ~~[illegible]~~ Tolerably trained, the Officers are Respectable and Extremely Attentive —

Yesterday Major Spear March'd with his Battalion in excellent Order, Tomorrow I follow with the Main Body & Hope to form a Junction with the Virginians on Tuesday next, I believe I shall be One days March infront of the Pennsylvanians ——

The Acc.ts of the 4th Inst. from the western Counties are that the people are exceeding Alarm'd & Mean no Opposition ——

From every Information I can receive and I believe it to be good, Mr. Gale has made no preparation for our return, all the Directions are for our going only. So that if we should be Orderd to return from Cumberland which I think is not Improbable we shall be in distress for provisions, forage &c. I therefore pray your Excellcy. to press Mr. Gale to hold his Agents prepaid to