His Excellency Thomas Sim Lee Esq.

14 Sir,

After some attempt to carry into execution your orders of the 18th of August by voluntary enrolment and failed, I procured yesterday assistance by the other field Officers a draught from the 45 Regiment of Militia, and notwithstanding every precaution was taken to prevent a deficiency yet from the very great number of Certificates of inability for the present service, produced after the business was prepared and during the draught, the requisition is unavoidably render incomplete by four privates, as you will observe by the Roll herewith enclosed — When your Excellency is made acquainted with the State of the Regiment, being reduced by the above wants to only 419 privates at present fit for duty I flatter myself you will acquit the Officers under whose management this business has been conducted of any want of duty on this sudden occasion

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I have the Honor to be
Yr Excellency's
Obt Servant
Henry Neale