

Fifteenth Brigade of Infantry

Brigade Orders. Cotham's June 10. 1813.

The Commander in Chief by General Orders of the
31st of May Ultimo received this day, having assigned Major General
Stevens to the Command of The Militia of The Southern
District and directing Commandants of Brigades to ~~assign~~ ^{assign}
~~upon the Places of~~ ^{assign} ~~under your~~ ^{for} Their respective Commands ^{to} ~~assign~~
Regiments Battalions and Companies within their respective
Commands Brigades preparatory to Invasion or Alarm and to
enact the same in writing to Major General Stevens.

The Brigadier General therefore in Compliance with General
as well as Division Orders direct that in Case of Invasion or
Alarm of the Enemy ~~that~~ Each Regiment within the Fifteenth
Brigade immediately ^{completely equipped} ~~under your~~ ^{at} the respective places assigned
in these Orders. Viz. The 139th Regiment commanded by Lt.
Col. Montrop ^{will} ~~to~~ ^{under your} at or near The House of Thomas
Tompkins in York Town. The 30th Reg^t commanded by Lt.
Col. Harris ^{will} ~~to~~ ^{under your} at or near The Court House in
Bedford. The 33rd Reg^t commanded by Lt. Col. Hobby ^{will} ~~to~~
^{under your} at or near The Court House at The White Plains. The
12th Reg^t commanded by Lt. Col. Barran ^{will} ~~to~~ ^{under your} at or near
The Episcopal Church in East Chester. The Rifle Bat:
Tabor ^{will} ~~to~~ ^{under your} at or near The Court House at

the white Plains. That the ^{Several} 139th and 38th Regiments will march to the Brigade rendezvous near the Court House at the White Plains immediately after forming on their respective rendezvous, except the 12 Reg^t.

The Brigade Quarter Master, The Brigade Major and Aids de Camps will remain upon the first Alarm or Invasion to the Quarters of The Brigadier General in the Town of Cortlandt.

The Commandants of Regiments will furnish the Brigadier General immediately with returns of their respective Commands, The strength of their Corps, deficiencies of equipments and any other information they may deem useful to communicate. They will also furnish the Brigadier General with the names of their Officers — Those who are absent on Command, and the vacancies which may be in their respective Regiments —

The Brigadier General feels confident that the same patriotism which actuated this ~~Brigade~~ Brigade to undergo so much privation and hardship in our struggle for Independence in the Revolutionary war still inspires them ^{will again be made manifest} ~~to be ready at a moment's warning to meet the Enemy~~ whenever he may invade our land. And ~~regrets~~ ^{trusts} ~~whenever~~ ^{that} ~~such an event should take place~~ nothing may be

heard from every Citizen Soldier but the universal Cry of defend our Country. It is not now the time to enquire whether this war was precipitately declared, before the nation was clad in Arms or in an attitude of defence. The ~~Constituted~~ ^{It} Authorities have declared ~~the war~~ and we must defend our Homes —

By Order of Brigadier General
Gideon Van Cortlandt Junr.

Brigade Major

Brigade Order

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