

Sir,

Albany October 24. 1814

The Council passed a resolution permitting the Secretary or myself to alter the Council minutes of military appointments in vacation so as to make them comport with the original returns, if the Secretary had made any mistakes in copying from those returns; but where the original returns on file comported with the minutes we are precluded from making any alteration in the records of the Council. In the case of Doctor Fowler the minutes were conformable to the return; and if there was a mistake in the return it cannot be rectified until the next meeting of the Council.

You must calculate upon the whole of your Brigade being ordered out in case of an attack on New York. I must therefore enjoin it on you to have them in readiness to use upon them the propriety of providing themselves with arms and equipments ~~by~~ their deficiencies.

at this late day ought to be and will be
severely punished, the more especially as
they have been more indulged this season
than any county in the Southern or middle
Districts. That indulgence will probably
soon cease.

I am, Sir, respectfully

Your Obedt

Samuel L. Thompson

Br. General Pierre M. Cortlandt Junr.

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Whester County

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By J. J. J. J.