Fort Martin, 6th Feb. 1782.

May it please your Honor —

I thought it necessary to inform you our Fort, on Ogeechee is finished, near 100 feet long with two loged bastines story & half high, strong & good, one of the best stockaded Fort in the frontier made bold, to call it Fort Martin, the author of our happy Restoration to our long vacated Frontiers, never was a better post Founded, in all respects, it is a barrier for Richmond County, it fronts the head of Upper Creek our boundary by Burke County, but without inhabitants, we are fully exposed both to towns and Indians, stoppe therein traffic to the Northward District of Wilkes County, Likewise became many large plantations on our Frontiers I hope will be tended this year when I except this post before, all was done with I hope I shall have the same luck again now please your Honor Except your assistance our Fort awaits nothing, Fort in particular is much wanting we have lived now a fortnight 5 or 10 men when only two bushel of meal, our people had lived only upon wild meat, when ammunition is to be had it requires a small store, lest we may be invaded I have sent your Honor a list of what men I have and want a prolongation of some more Volunteers, when the drafted men is marched I pray your Honor, direction and orders, in every respect, which faithfully shall the complying with, we are 50 miles from Augusta.
I had a few men of my proper force that lined upon the line which was the proper to fight them right, in a depending diance, which Col. Jackson chused to take, to a man, and most all the interred men left these men, he took, and will be county men, properly, only was by the Enemy forced, just within the line, they when at the post, & helped to build it, long before any draft was made, fall upon these effects for vines, or forced them away & dunt not a man in there room, I cannot keep the post without men, pray your honor answer to the matter, who are your honor most obedient & humble servant to Comm. John Gill
Mr. Pleas your Honor

I am forced to send a waggon or two
Yet more, within a few days—please your Honor, to let me know if it may be had as before—your Honor obediently

I. Hill

the above
Mr. Badke
I beg orders in the spirit of men taken to station
J. H.
Letter from Hill—

Military

Lord,

1782

His Honor

John Martin, Esq.
Governor, Capt. General
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over the State of
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