

[G. Cook to Council.]

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Honored Gentlemen.

We got safe to Baltimore on Friday morning and since have not been able to do any thing for want of a wharf for the ship to cleave at I expect get one that M^r Lux has two Briggs at Monday morning and shall use my utmost endeavours in getting the ship ready for sea as soon as possible. As soon as the Tender is fit to be sent to Potomack I shall send her off with Instructions to call at Annapolis and take M^r Middleton with them to endeavour to find our anchor. I shall acquaint you from time to time how we go on. I have the Honor to be,

Hon^d Gentlemen
Your most obed^t Hb^{le} Serv^t
George Cook.

P. S. Inclosed I send you two advertisements of the sale of the Snow Georgia. I should be glad to be inform^d what we are to do for stores for the Ship's Company which are much wanting or wether I may not contract for such articles as are wanting, if I have it in my power.

[J. Hollingsworth to Council.]

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Sirs.

The barer M^{rs} Trepolet is uneasy about her Howses Takken by Capt. Ewin Smith and Ramsey last winter for barraks I have troubed you on the same acount once before I was calld on by the Cort to vallew the howses when the ware takken and I beleve for that reason the widdow insists I will doe sumthing for her, this was all setteld shee was paid but since the houses are much abused and she thinks will bee recovered, they are fitter for barracks than any in town and I beleve the abuses had best be repaired, the are very carles and shee thinks they will burn her and all she has by their neglect I think shee has cactch them with larg fires again the walls on the out side. But what shee says I think may bee depended on and must leave you and her to settell it Pleas excuse for this freedom, it is for a widdow.

from your humble Servant,
Jesse Hollingsworth