

In Council Annapolis September 8th 1794

Sir

We have sent to your care eight Bales of Tents and Boxes of Musquet Cartridges, which We take the Liberty of requesting you to forward with all convenient dispatch to Frederick Town to be deposited with General Bayley or Peter Engels the States Attorney. We apprehend a conveyance may be readily procured by some Return Wagon going immediately to Frederick Town.

You will be pleased to direct the person by whom they are forwarded to call on General Bayley for the payment of such Sum as you may think a reasonable compensation for the Carriage of these Articles.

George Keports Esquire

We are &c

Thos. S. Lee

Annapolis September 12th 1794

Sir,

The enclosed Copy of a Letter from Peter Engels the States Attorney at Frederick Town contains information which tho' not of the most authentic kind, it is proper the President should be immediately apprized of.

In consequence of its Receipt, I have thought it prudent for the Security of the Public Magazine to take the provisional step which the enclosed Copy of my letter to Brigadier General Bayley will explain.

The suggestion contained in Engels letter that all the Powder and Lead has lately been bought up in the neighbouring Towns is I am told confirmed by a private letter from a respectable Gentleman in Frederick to his friend in Baltimore.

The Honorable

Alexander Hamilton Esq

Secretary Treasury

I am &c

Thos. S. Lee