

Gentlemen

for General Assembly of Maryland 1813

We forwarded to the Secretary at War a copy of the Memorial of the Inhabitants of the Town of Easton, which you had the goodness to transmit to us some time since and by the last Mail we received a letter from him. A copy of so much thereof relates to the Memorial is herewith transmitted.

As it would appear that the General Government does not contemplate to afford any protection to your section of the State, we have thought it necessary to appoint a person to furnish supplies for the Militia of Talbot County in case they should be called out to repel invasion, and we have appointed Mr. Solomon Lowe of Chestertown for that purpose.

We have the honor

Percy Benson Robert H. Goldborough John

Alexander C. May

Meredith John M. G. Smory and Nicholas Hammond

Annapolis April 21 1813

Sir

You will order the Militia of your Brigade which have been ordered out along the Bay Shore, to be disbanded except a Subaltern and eighteen men to be stationed at Point and a Subaltern and eighteen men to be stationed at Plum Point with directions to those officers to attend particularly to the motions of the Enemy, Defects, and to give the earliest intelligence of any disposition to land to the officers of Militia immediately in the neighbourhood of those stations. You will require the officers generally to command their Militia of their respective commands, that they are to be ready to move at a moment's warning and that they will move with alacrity to any point where their services may be required. Under this expectation we are at this busy season of the year induced to believe we may at the present moment dispense with the further attendance of the Militia called out under your direction.

John Williams

Brigadier General Williams

Annapolis April 21 1813

A number of the British Defects having just arrived off the place whence they came to apprehend such of the Militia as can be most easily obtained I have therefore to request that