

that the officers to be ordered on, are to be in proportion to the Men who are actually
Brigadier General Henry Barrick

Levin Winder

Sir

Council Chamber Annapolis May 6 1813

Enclosed send you a copy of an order sent immediately to Brigadier General
Barrick that it may be carried into effect as expeditiously as may be. You will please
aid the forwarding of the detachment as early as possible. I am Sir with Respect
Major General Robert B. Smith

Levin Winder

Sir

Council Chamber Annapolis May 8 1813

I received some of the particulars you have written to Colonel Smith on the subject of
your letter to the Executive Council. It is earnestly to be desired that a force at every point which
may be attacked, should be equal to the whole force of the enemy, yet we ought not to be
idle spectators of the operations they may make, but should endeavor to repel them
small detachments and prevent their making us room as we wish. If you withdraw
your guards altogether they will be able to enter the country.
The Executive have given all the aid and assistance to the different parts of the State
which their limited power enabled them to do, and should regret the Militia would
not use the means placed in their hands by the State for their defence. I feel sensibly
for the situation of our Country, as well those who have already been visited by the Enemy
as those who are subject to their further depredations, we must look to ourselves for
protection. I have had the means of offering further aid.
Major Thomas H. Branchhead

I am Sir with respect
Levin Winder

Sir

Council Chamber Annapolis May 10 1813

I had the honor of receiving by Major Williams your letter of the 9th Instant with its enclosures
My General Order of the 13th of March last directing you to take the earliest opportunity
of making the necessary arrangements of the Militia for the protection of the City
of Baltimore and not confer on you any authority beyond that which you possessed under
the Militia law. The meaning of the order was that you would proceed to complete the organ-
ization of the Militia under your command and place them in the best possible state for
defence, of course your command as Major General commenced from that period. I am Sir
Major General Samuel Smith

Levin Winder