

Dear Sir

Council Chamber Annapolis

I have received your letter by Major Mowbray and although the arranging and numbering the orders now on file in the Treasury Department will give me considerable trouble, I have, to guard against delay thought proper to send an express to Washington for the Account Book, and intend proceeding on the work as soon as I shall receive it. which I presume will be to morrow. In the course of three weeks I will leave Annapolis for the Balston Springs, and shall not be absent more than four weeks - The Book shall be returned to the War Office in three weeks after I shall have received it, provided I can persuade the Treasurer to trust me with his file of orders - He will I think part with the Originals, at least Mr Harwood said they would be furnished if required - Your letter is sufficiently explicit for me; and I think you could with propriety require the thing to be done; it would