

Council Chamber Annapolis Aug 10 1819

Dear Sir

In your Returns stating the number of arms which you have collected delivered out &c you ought to be very explicit. In the Return which you made to this department dated the 9<sup>th</sup> of June last, you state that you received on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May from Col Smith 230 stands, but do not say whether they constitute a part of the 748 stands which you loaned to Col Smith September 16<sup>th</sup> 1818 if they do not, they are to be added to the number reported by you in December last, the 575 stands which you have deducted from the faulty, and added to the good, are those I presumed which you had cleaned. The number should be 620 instead of 575.

I am with much respect  
your obedient servant  
Wm. Alen Dorsey  
Agent for collection of  
Public arms  
Union Battery  
Clerk of the Council