

Dear Sir
May 22^d 1820

In the month of April 1812
the State of Arms were placed in the hands
of our Regiment - will you be please to
inform me what has become of them -
as the militia were stationed at Baltimore
the Summers of 1813 (and) 1814 they were
plied with arms from the States's
arsenal at Baltimore - as a great part of
the force was supplied from several counties
it is likely that a number of the muskets
have been carried away by the militia
when they were disbanded - 2935 of those
were placed in the hands of the militia of
Baltimore and that of other parts of the
State since April 1812 remain still to be
accounted for - If the officers of the respective
regiments would lend their aid in causing
arms to be collected in their respective
districts they would greatly promote the
interest of the State.

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