

Executive Department  
Annapolis.  
February 28<sup>th</sup> 1853.

Brevet Major

James Lowrey Donaldson, U. S. A.

Sir:

Mr Lowe  
to Major  
Donaldson  
receiving  
copy of  
Certificate of Merit  
granted by the  
Gen. Assembly  
in recognition  
of services in  
Florida & Mexico

I have the honor herewith to transmit  
a copy of Resolutions passed by the General Assembly, now in  
session, wherein the thanks of Maryland are tendered to  
you for the distinguished gallantry which you displayed  
during the wars of Florida and Mexico.

Allow me the privilege of expressing my entire  
concordance in this high testimony, thus given to the  
world by the Legislature of your Native State, of your mer-  
its as a man and an officer.

( Hoping that you may long live to enjoy the dis-  
tinction which you have so gallantly won.

I have the honor to be,

Very Respectfully  
Your Obedt Servt & fellow-citizen  
E. Louis Lowe.

Baltimore, Mch 3. 1853.

To His Excellency

E. Louis Lowe.

Sir:

Major  
Donaldson  
repts. to  
the above

I have the honor to acknowledge the  
receipt of your letter enclosing a resolution of the General  
Assembly of Maryland, tendering me the thanks of the  
State for my conduct during the Florida and Mexican  
Wars.

While I gratefully accept this distinguished compli-  
ment from the Legislature of my Native State, allow  
me to thank you for the kind and flattering manner  
with which you have made that compliment  
doubly grateful to me.

With high respect

Yr most Obedt Servt  
J. L. Donaldson  
Bvt Major U. S. A.