

invading our soil for such unfriendly purposes as heretofore we seech your Excellency to adopt such measures as in your good judgment will be sufficient to prevent any repetition of similar outrages.

We furthermore would respectfully state the troops making the search informed us that they had obtained permission from your Excellency to search private dwellings for the purpose above stated to the extent of thirty miles in the territory of this state. We mention this in order to get a reputation of such a slanderous report as we believe it wholly without foundation.

We have the honor to be your Excellency's obedient servant
 Alfred Spencer, Secretary } Henry Mortimer
 Chairman

State of Maryland
 Executive Chamber
 Frederick City, April 30th 1861

To Lieut-Genl Scott,
 Dear Sir

I am informed that Col Ellsworth and others are raising troops in New York and elsewhere with the determination to cut a passage to Washington through the streets of Baltimore.

I respectfully urge upon you the propriety of preventing this. Public sentiment in Maryland in regard to the passage of troops, and in regard to the incidents of the post week has undergone a radical change. The disposition here will soon be almost unanimous I think to adhere to the General Government and to act with all the loyalty that can be expected from us. But you will at once see that if your troops shall unnecessarily shed blood here, the passions of our people will again be excited, and the healthy reaction which has taken place will at once be checked.

I understand that the passage of troops via Annapolis is attended with all the facilities you desire, and I cannot see that there is any military necessity for transit through Baltimore.

I beg that you will direct your attention to this matter and do all in your power to prevent its consummation,
 Thos. H. Hicks

To His Excellency
 Thos. H. Hicks

Gov. of Maryland,

The undersigned citizens of Washington and Fred^{erick} Counties and pray that your Excellency will not be influenced to official action, by a Memorial that will be presented to your Excellency by a Committee appointed at an informal meeting held at Waverton on last evening April 29th 61.