

in answer to many of their demands were to extend their term of service to three years; but as soon as it is understood that no credit is to be allowed on the ensuing draft on such account, there will be no more to all such hopes and all efforts to promote such a proceeding will be arrested.

There are also other claims to such a credit given out by a number of recruits furnished by some parts of the State which I should like to call to your attention, but I can make this more intelligible in a personal interview. If possible I will endeavor to see you in the course of the present week, and as I am assured to learn that the draft has been suspended for a short season, my time will be thus allowed for a proper consideration.

I have the honor to be
with great respect
Your obt. servt.
H. W. Bradford

Received of the Department
of the Adjutant General's Office
Washington October 15th 1863

For the draft of recruits
from the State of Maryland
I have the honor to inform you that
the draft will be credited
to the State of Maryland.

I am very respectfully
your obedient servant
James D. May
Adjutant General

State of Maryland
The two numbers
Washington Oct. 25th 1863

Enclosed to you several copies of an introduction yesterday
and a number of copies of a circular showing the mode in which
the recruits of the State of Maryland were distributed among
the several companies of the State that had been the more readily under-
stood. It is to be observed that the circular is a credit on
recruits of the State of Maryland and which credit to them
will be made by the Adjutant General's Office. The number now to
be made up to the State but more money the distribution of it
will be made.