

Baltimore Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 1776

Gent<sup>l</sup>

I have Received my five Hundred Pounds towards building of m<sup>o</sup>l<sup>o</sup> - they are both Deck'd and now a Building and will be ready very soon. You may order Rigging and the materials as soon as you please - I want a further sum of mney which please to pay to Mr John Donelson.

I am Gentlemen

To the Honourable Council of Safety }  
Annapolis }

Your most Obedt Servant,  
Arch<sup>d</sup> Buchanan.

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Gentle<sup>m</sup>

Your fav<sup>r</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Inst. have receiv'd, desiring me to be inform'd what readiness the Schooner Ninety two's in for sea &c. of which the bearer Capt. Kelly can inform you particularly, only I have to say her Cargo is all ready to go off. She has been hove down and graved with Tallow bottom &c, but yet the Carpenters have some little to do to her, how long it will take them Capt Kelly will advise you but I think she will be all clear for sea this day week, she has now in; some of your Staves, 20 hoopheads Tobacco, and 220 barrells flour: the rest of her flour I expect to get in Tomorrow and the beginning of next week, and then her breads to fill up, as to a Master I immagin you wont get your Choice of an undoubted goods man, without you give the Consignment, which they seem all to hang out for here, but by the time the Vessel is loaded I hope shall be able to procure a man of Merritt, and if such apply to you, hope youd send him here, I am inform'd you have some salt beffels arriv'd to you, which is an article much want'd here, and the present is principally to propose purchasing a cargo off you, which shall take immediately out of your Vessel at the highest price any person will give here, and shall pay on receipt for the same; or load the Vessel for you as you may order (or shall otherwise receive the salt in my warehouse, and retail it to the public as you may think proper to order it), in all which expect to be accountable to you and do your business to your approbation. I hope, and on as low terms as any person in this place. Should be glad you would please to favour me with a line on this head, which shall esteem a fav<sup>r</sup> and business now nearly done with the Ninety two, shall be out of Proppness, and do wish you would order me the loading of another of your Vessels, or any other business you may have to do this way, in all which I hope to act to your Satisfaction.

Gentlemen, your most Obedt Servant  
Cumb<sup>l</sup> Sargant.

To The Honourable the Council of Safety for }  
Maryland, at Annapolis }

Philadelphia 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 1776

Monte Pis.

I arriv'd here the 2<sup>nd</sup> Inst. with 76 Private, a return of my Company