

is impossible for me to tell when I shall get the Gully to you. That
 Cable was agreeable to large for Capt Hammond judged it must half fill the
 Schooner up. The Brig Brothers Mr Hollingsworth bought for you I think
 has three cables two Bowers and a stem cable. He may do very well without
 the Stem Cable, it is of no use to them in the West Indies, and if she goes
 to any part of Old Spain, they must have more with their two Bowers,
 and there is plenty of Cable to be got there, the stem cable will suit
 Captain Hammond if you will order it so I shall then get a cable for the
 Gully. There was many things might be taken out off the Brig by
 a hand that's a proper Judge. That would be of great service to the
 States Navy and she go well bound to sea. I am, Gentlemen,

The Honble Council of Safety }
 at Annapolis }
 Your most obedient servant
 Stephen Steward.

Stephen is now on his way to Land. Boreys to see after guns,
 for the Gully I hope the Congress will not take all the guns with the
 schooner.

Sir,

Baltimore 31st December 1776.

We made this cable agreeable to your order and had it down
 upon the wharf, but the Congress having taken Hammond's schooner for
 some dispatches, seized upon the cable for him, as she is to sail immedi-
 ately and we cannot make another for some days. Don't blame us for this.
 We really cannot help it. We have sent the other Rigging you ordered,
 and will make this cable as soon as we possibly can and forward it
 to Annapolis.

We are to your obedient servants.
 Lucy & Bowley.

1 coil 2 1/4 inch }
 2 coils 2 1/2 inch } 2 .. 0 .. 15
 2 do 3 inch - 2 .. 2 .. 1
 4 .. 2 .. 16

Gentlemen.

Frederick Town January 5th 1777

I received Mr. Galt's resignation the first Major's Commission in the
 Linguore Battalion, dated the 28th December 1776. and finding Capt. Mills
 Commissioned Lieutenant Col^l in consequence (I suppose) of the certifi-
 cate he was so officious with, I therefore resign my Commission into
 your hands again for no other reason than that I am determined not
 to serve under any officer that was returned in that certificate. Unless
 the Battalion concurs and agree to the measure, for they whole at that
 meeting did not amount to 150 rank and file. therefore conclude it
 unjust that the Majority of the Battalion should be bound by the mi-
 nority. Beside the election was conducted with the greatest impropri-
 ety. There manner of voting was that they whole field officers should
 be voted for at once, and the highest on the pole to be first Colonel &c.
 and by that manner of voting a person that's popular for any under
 officer, will undoubtedly be first Colonel, or higher than they people
 intended, and thus to my certain knowledge was the case and they officers

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