

and a large Ship loaded with Wheat & Flour
by Permission of the Congress - Whether the
Ship Defence with a Bakery hastily thrown up,
will be sufficient to defeat this hostile -
Attempt, we cannot say, but we are confident
if a Landing is attempted either at Baltimore
Town or this Place, that the Enemy will be
repulsed.

9th March 1776.

We are &c.

P.S. 9 o'Clock P.M. we have this Moment received
certain Intelligence, that the Man of War is the
Other Sloop with two Tenders, one of six Carriage-Guns
and the other, Sixty only - that they have taken
the Ship loaded with Wheat and Flour, which unluckily
happened to be aground at the Mouth of Potapscow
& that they are proceeding up the River to take
or destroy the Ship Defence - fresh Provisions
also we believe is their Object.

We are &c.