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Papers of Alexander Cochrane - MS 2329
Cochran to Cochrane
23 August 1814

Head Quarters Upper Marlboro
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My dear Sir.

I wrote you a hasty Note from my Boat yesterday as I thought it would be a great Relief to you to know of the Flotilla being actually dispersed of. I learnt in the Evening that the General had occupied this Place, I came here this Morning to consult with him & learn his future Plans & I find he is determined (in consequence of the Information he has received & what he has observed of the Enemy) to push on towards Washington, which I have confident Hopes he will give a good account of. I shall accompany him & of course afford him every assistance in my Power.

(20) ^{is} I yesterday took one of their Gun Boats intact, ~~will make~~ a good Vessel for these Waters. - I likewise took several light Schooners which are loading Tobacco at Pig Point, we therefore shall not return empty handed.

Every Body in the Naval Department has behaved admirably & we are all in high Spirits no Sickness amongst us, & but little as yet in the Army

Believe me
My dear Sir
Most truly yours

J. Cochrane

If you could spare the Hornet to come as high as Nottingham with Spirits & bread it would assist us as we are all getting short of Provisions She may return to you immediately after delivering it.