

never to have
regular troops
in this Point,
making me
unable to
do my duty
in this Point,
I cannot but
trust
I am as
of Defence
I do not think
doing duty but
the different
Points

it is impossible to ascertain the
present Embargo - which has greatly
interrupted our former sources of
Information. The Stores of Tobacco, Flour
the Foundries &c of any such kind
exist on these shores (which I much
doubt) they are only close to or in the
principal towns and only to be got
at by occupying the latter - which
are generally so placed that draught
of large draught of water cannot approach
them. The Foundry I destroyed last
year is I am told the only one in the
Upper part of the Chesapeake, there
is a very grand one at Richmond but
I fear it will be difficult to get at.

to commence your first Letter, and I beg
you to believe the anxious solicitude with
which I shall invariably endeavor to forward
& maintain all your views & wishes so long
as I continue on this Station, but the conduct
of the Admiralty towards me, inclines me
rather to think that they are not very
anxious, I should remain here, and would
me to take the liberty of asking you direct
whether they have not empowered you to
make arrangements for my Return Home.