

Baltimore 13th Sept^r 1815 H²

Sir

It is with much pleasure I have to inform you that we have this day closed the business of the Schooners with their owners, and the agent will tomorrow proceed to cancel the contracts.

The owners of the Revings were awarded \$2,000. and the Patapisco \$1400. My public business is now entirely closed on this station, and I can proceed down at any time when the Powder is ready to leave Washington so as to meet me at the mouth of the Potomac. The Packet would charge \$200. for the trip.

I have therefore determined to employ a Pilot-boat that may be had cheap, and will be ready to start as soon as I can be informed of the departure of the Powder and the place of rendezvous either at St. Marys or higher up the Potomac, as you may think proper. Should you be desirous of seeing me before I go down and will intimate it by return mail I can be in Washington on Thursday evening and return here on the day following.

I presume I am to leave Capt. Ridgely in charge on this station as Senior officer.

The stores landed at the Navy Yard from the Schooners I have delivered in charge to the agent, but he has expressed a wish to me, to