

Frederickburg 121

27th Feb 1913

Dear Sir,

For my great regret
I cannot on my approach
to the mouth of Potomack that
of the Lame a Frigate, Brig
& Tender anchored off the Potomack
the day before yesterday & that
two bay vessels which we boarded
into the river & I conceived, on
purpose to delay or sink the
you down to look at them as
I know of me fast? ~~them~~ on
the night we should certainly
meet them however soon in
the morning, I therefore came
up here & landed this morning
to ascertain if the powder
could be conveyed on. I find
there is only about 24 miles of
land enroute to James River