

Batturone March 25. 1914

Mr. Wm. Jones

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Sir,

I am very much at a loss for

at purser, (having been without nearly four weeks)

Particularly so, as I am bound to furnish one

months pay to each recruit in Cloaths, which I

cannot do with propriety myself, the provisions

are furnished by the Navy Agent on the Requisition

of the Purser, approved by me, I have been obliged

to draw provisions, without such requisition,

which induces me to make the request that

a Purser may be attached to the flotilla - One

of the New Barges has arrived from the Eastern

shore and I expect four more this week, the

armament will go on with all the expedition

possible, nothing will be wanting but men