

Went to Washington in August last for the purpose of
a Contract for Timber & that he waited on the Secretary
the Navy who referred him to Commodore Tingley who
died. The Commodore he states put him off from time
at length it was made to understand that it could be
through a second person. Then he said he declined
he could be permitted to receive his back money, so
if I understood him was accented to. Considering it
duty to give you this information, Mr Turner who
mentioned something similar which he obtained from
Navy Agent & which I observed he should inform
on his arrival.

The entrenching & fortifying
yard appears to have been the spur of the moment
have not heard any thing of them since. The Artillery
curved some oak plank that was in the yard, belonging
Mr Malt Wilson which did not come within the scope
of his contract for gun carriages which Mr M. W. sent
them to do. The mortar which I took down to
Shaw lay there still. They appeared all about
for on the 20th.

I have the honor to
be your Obedient
John Casper

The Minister
Mr Jones