

Baltimore 11th April 1873

Dear Sir,

In compliance with your
orders, the last stage load of the crew of the
late U. S. Brig Defier / excepting 5 or 6 who
are sick / will leave this tomorrow at
6 A. M. accompanied by their Commanding
Lieut. J. D. Herley —

Those that are left, together with
4 or 5 sick recruits belonging to the Frigate
Adams, shall be sent on as soon as they
can be discharged from the Hospital —
Very respectfully,
Yours

J. D. Herley
Chas. J. Gordon

Wm. Jones
Secretary of the Navy
Washington