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those who have been longest in captivity
and there I beg leave to remind you
of those whom the fortune of war —
oftentimes throws into our hands
I mean Gentlemen who's former
line in life, hath totally disqualified
them from bearing with the hardships
unavoidable sometimes to Prisoners
for my own part I'm determined
as long as I am in office to study
and do every thing in my power to
alleviate the distress of captivity
make them as comfortable as
circumstances will admit —
also to facilitate their Exchange
as soon as possible — I am

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Sir Your obed.t hum.e Se
David Sproat
Commissary Genl.

To the Commissary of Prisoners
in Maryland or Mis
Person Acting for or under him