To his Excellency Thos Johnson Capt. Gent. Lieut. & Com=
=mander in Chief in & over the State of Maryland

The Memorial of the Gentlemen Officers & Seamen of
War now at Sharpsburg in Washington County —

Sheweth

That your memorialists in Consequence of the Order
of Colonel Beatty of Frederick Town did about five
days ago remove from thence to this place, where they
were unexpectedly restricted to the Limits of a pitiful
Village and a Quarter of a mile in extent, which restric
=tion is well known to be an infringement of the
parole granted them by the Honble Continental
Congress.

That for the above Reason & on account of the
scarcity of accommodation peculiar to this place
your memorialists are extremely distressed for want
of Lodging, & shall in all probability be obnoxious
thro' innumerable other inconveniencies, while
continued here under such a severe restriction as
above —

Your Memorialists therefore beg leave to represent
their uncomfortable situation to your Excellency
in hopes You will be pleased to extend their parole
to six miles around, that they may disperse them=
=selves within proper limits in the Country, & enjoy
the benefit of such exercise & accommodation, as such
limits naturally afford, & are impossible to be had with
=in their present Bounds

All which & whatever else Your Excellency may think
it suitable to their circumstances & consistent with your
own Duty to grant them your memorialists submit
to your immediate Consideration —

The Cockburn Ford
Archd Campbell
Alex. Stewart
Thomas Weir
Angus Campbell
Matthias Shepherdfield

John McLeod
Alexr McLeod
Neill McArthur
Murdock McCaskill
Donald MacLeod
William Field

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