Phil. C. Pendleton
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Dear Sir

It is understood that, in compliance with a request of some gentlemen in congress, examinations and surveys are forthwith to be made with a view to the location of a road from Washington to Cumberland. Altho', I apprehend, the time is far distant when this road will be made, it is quite possible that it may be made soon; for every thing of this sort, and I dare say of almost every other sort, is destined, I am persuaded, to be the sport of political views and factious intrigues — things so entirely uncertain that there is no knowing what may grow out of them.

An application will be immediately made to the President, through the Secretary at war, that the following route for the proposed road may be considered — to wit, from Washington, through Montgomery, Frederick C.; by or near the mouth of the Monocacy, to Shepherdstown, and thence, by Martinsburg, directly to Cumberland. I apprise you of it, that you may cooperate in the matter if you take an interest in it.

Yr. obt. Servt.

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