

Dear Sir

I have this moment received information by Major Odell that several British Ships of War are in the Sound opposite this County and have committed ~~several~~ depredations on some small Islands, ~~which~~ <sup>the</sup> object of the Enemy is I presume is to commit depredations ~~on~~ <sup>of</sup> the main as well as destroy the Coasting Trade I <sup>therefore</sup> have thought proper to order out the 33<sup>rd</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Regiments of the 15<sup>th</sup> Brigade, with directions to Lieut. Col. Hobby & Captain to post their men by detachments from Biram River to Throgmortons neck until further Orders, I have also directed the Brigade Quartermaster to take your Orders in what manner the Troops are to be supplied with Arms & other munitions of War. As I have issued this Order upon the spur of the Occasion I hope it will ~~be~~ meet with your Approbation, at the same

time will be very happy to have an in-  
terview with you at Capt. Ector's at New  
Prochelle on Saturday next at ~~two o'clock~~  
noon. when <sup>you will no doubt take</sup> such measures as may be  
best for the Inhabitants from the  
depredations of the Enemy —

Jan<sup>r</sup> 9 - 1813. P. G. H.

M. G. H. —

Very truly  
M. G. H. —  
Jan<sup>r</sup> 1 - 1813