

Dickinson College Archives & Special Collections

<http://archives.dickinson.edu/>

Documents Online

Title: Letter from William Irvine to Henry Dearborn

Date: October 10, 1803

Location: I-Purchase-1956-24

Contact:

Archives & Special Collections
Waidner-Spahr Library
Dickinson College
P.O. Box 1773
Carlisle, PA 17013

717-245-1399

archives@dickinson.edu

Dear Sir (

Philadelphia 10th Oct. 1808

237

18
10
10

Notwithstanding your friendship in adding as much as you can with propriety to my fixed salary as Superintendent, I find it too small for the support of my family - It has been thought I understand, that I receive perquisites of Horse keeping, fuel &c^a, but not a cent I assure you, as you must know on a slight examination of my Accounts, all I get passes through your hands - indeed I never supposed I had a right, by Law, or otherwise to any such thing - I am almost ^{certain} if you can think proper to countermand the measure, (probably by stating to the Legislature in your Annual Report that an addition to my salary would be proper) it will be done -

M^r. Gallatin mentioned in conversation last year ~~mentioned~~ that he had in contemplation a plan of blinding the superintendance of the Naval Stores with the Military, which would not only make the office

more respectable, but save considerably to the public;
On this subject a correspondence has taken place
between Mr. Gallatin & me, in which I have given
all the information he required, in my power, which
he will doubtless hand you, if you should think pro-
-per to consult in forming a system - I have confided
this matter to Major Butler, Senator from South
Carolina, & to him only yet, but if you, he & Mr.
Gallatin think the measure just and proper
you can find friends enough to carry it through.

I Am Dear Sir

Your friend & servant

Wm. Jewnes

(Private)

General Dearborn

Genl. Francis

10th Octob^r, 1803

(Private)

General Henry Dearborn

Honored by
Major Butler

Washington