

Orig. Letter to Gen
Adm. from James
Morrow since Pres
ident of the U.S.

The Amble

Major Genl. Lee

Brooklyn City



since by the light of the lamp
we are enabled to pursue a
measure heretofore
you are in command
you may see from
kind of business
my & of
I wish to
you may

Agletts warHouse June 14th

my dear Genl?

I am happy in accidently meeting with a neighbour of y^rs who tells me he lately left you well & contented with y^r retired life. I am extremely anxious for y^r welfare & often most sincerely lament that the temper of this continent should be such as to hinder it expedient for you to retire to Berkeley. When I left you in Phil^a my wish & expectation was immediately to go to Europe, on my coming to view a busy underage, I found it difficult to make such disposition of my property as you admit of it. I meant however to go this fall & as I wish'd to go in the character in the character of an officer for

that purpose I went up to W. L. by Phil:
(where I wish'd much to have seen you) to re-
quire from His Excellency & L. D. Stirling a certificate
of my good conduct. This I meant to present
to the Virg. assembly & from them procure
an appointment. His Excellency gave the
letter I w^d have wish'd & L. D. Stirling also
treated with gentlemanly politeness. What
I have to expect from this assembly is
incertain but as they have no interest in
the appointment I desire I believe I have
no probable grounds to found hopes on.

I am retiring from them to my Uncle's
Mr Jones near Fredricksbg. (the chief Jus-
tice of this state) where I propose staying per-
haps the year. If it was my house my d^r
I never you sh^d make it yr. but at

present I only live in expectation of it. I may
however take the liberty with my Uncle to press
you if you come that way to call & see me.
Be so kind as write me, and direct to Fredricks-
bg. to inform me where I may wait on you.
I am solicitous for yr. interest & wish to con-
-sult you on my plan. I am my dear friend
with sincere esteem yr. friend & very hum-
ble servt.

J. A. Monroe