

Charleston May 3.

Dear Sir

The recommendation in favor of Mr. Strong, as likewise is that in favor of Mr. Allen. I am inclined to think, that if Mr. Allen does not intend to reside in the village, the preference should be given to the latter, and indeed it may be proper if he does. I shall approve any arrangement which you may make in the case. It will I presume be proper to appoint Mr. Schaubly for the 8th m^o district.

If you are satisfied that Mr. Schaubly ~~the~~ can perform the duties of command of the Newmarket militia, being disqualified neither by age nor disease, it will be well to appoint him. You intend the expectation of obtaining the requisite information on that point, by which I wish you to be guided.

Very sincerely yours

James Monroe