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His Excellcy Governor Shelby

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Frankfort,

Ky.

Ordnance Department,
Washington 25th. July 1815.

Sir,

Your letter of the 6th. of the present month to the Honble. Secretary of War, has been referred to this Department.

I have in consequence, the honor to state to your Excellency that arrangements shall be made, without delay, for furnishing to the Company of Light Artillery, of Frankfort, a Brass field piece, agreeably to your request. In giving this assurance I have to add that I experience great pleasure in an opportunity of promoting the laudable views of your brave & patriotic Militia; particularly when seconded by a Gentleman who has so successfully led them in their brilliant career against the enemies of their country.

I beg leave to add, that every assistance that can be given by this Department, in the transportation of the Gun to its destined station, and in furnishing the necessary Equipments will be afforded.

With Sentiments of the highest Respect
I have the honor to be Your
Excellys most Obt. Servt.

G. Bomford
Lt. Col. Ord.

His Excellency
Governor I. Shelby
Frankfort Ky.

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Secretarys office
Frankfort Augt 4th 1815

Sir,

In the absence of the Governor your letter of the 25th ult. came to my hands; He will be much gratified at the information it contains.

Anticipating a favorable answer to the application I had by the directions of the Governor written to Genl Harrison who will be shortly at Detroit as one of the Commissioners to treat with the Indians; requesting him to ascertain when the pieces of artillery

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allowed to in the Governors letter
were, and if sanctioned to
make choice of one of them
for him —

It will be very desirable
to have the equipments complete
as they will probably be called
out to muster in this state —
& should you undertake to have
them forwarded to this state it
will be more convenient to
this plan to have them depo-
sited at Limestone or Louisville
on the Ohio than at the ar-
senal at Newport —

As soon as you make the
requisit arrangements you
will see so good as to inform
the Governor when & where
he will receive the pieces

As the Company will re-
quire two field peices, it was
supposed by the Governor that one
of ordinary metal & could be con-
veniently spared by the department
in time of peace, in addition to
the one specially designated in
his letter - You will observe
that his letter mentions two -
~~although~~ as he may require
and then expresses his wishes
that one of them should be
one of the two brass ones designa-
ted - I take the liberty of
suggesting this, least it should
have escaped your observation
- not with an intention of
preping the subject - I know
the Governor would not
application for the same of ord-

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many Metal – nor would he have mentioned it in his former letter, had he not supposed it would have been accepted and convenient to the depart present

I have the honor to be with consideration of great respect

your obt Servt

A. D. Hardin

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Brass Cannon

Taken from the British at Battle of Thames

Oct 5 1813 –

Turned over to Gov. Shelby as "The Trophy" in 1816 –

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