Capt. John Holliday
late Ordnance.

Department of War.
21st September 1838.

Sir,

The tender of your resignation as Capt. of Ordnance has been received — from the abrupt manner of leaving a service so peculiar as that of the Ordnance — (for good fortune alone supplies me with an officer to replace you) I do not feel that justice to the dignity and character of the service will permit me now to accept your resignation. — It shall be submitted to his Excellency the President — by the first opportunity — You will deliver the Armory — with the Books and papers belonging to the Command to Capt. S. M. Jordan, acting Capt. Ord.

I have the Honor &c.
Chas. Mark Wood
Sec. of War.

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Wm. Holliday
late of Ord.

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