

a few cavalry from Negropont, for not one step being made in advance for the relieving of Athens.

I ~~am aware~~ knew of the difficulties of your situation, but I am aware also that there is a means of relieving the Acropolis & ~~preventing the~~ & rescuing the women, the children & the wounded from the destruction that threatens.

The services of the navy are immediately required for other purposes than those of attend upon an inactive army. My duty ~~calls upon~~ I am determined to execute in all possible ways in which my services can benefit Greece. I shall therefore be gratified if in reply to this letter you will inform me if it is in your power to make the army advance & if that advance will take place before tomorrow night.

It will give me the greatest pleasure to ..ate with you in all manner of ways, but [1] my desire to that effect is rendered null if those under your orders will not conform to your wishes & obey your commands. - Until the fact shall be demonstrated the world will not believe that nearly ten thousand men will neither attack nor leave behind them the ruins of a convent 100 of the enemy under the circumstances before mention.

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