an attempt to Load without thus being qualified subjected the vessel to Seizure.

On the arrivals of vessels in Choptank, some make an Entry. & others do not. — Form if any vessel after her arrival broke bulk, & discharged any part of her Cargo, before a due Entry thereof being made, subjected the vessels &c. to Seizure.

My principal motive for troubling you on this subject is to know, if I may, or not make Seizure on a non compliance with the above recited former practice; & hope as business is of a public nature, you will pardon the intrusion.

I am Sir

Yr. most Obt. Serv.

Jere. Banning

P.S. By some mistake I apprehend Mr. St. Maire & my self are both appointed to the same district, they &c. I inclose my Commiss.n hoping you will have it altered, if the mistake lies there. I should be