

D. Sir -

March 5th - 1810 -

I have looked over our Ac^t. with
M^r. Ash and after crediting him with all the expenses
he has been at. exclusive of his Contract - as you will
see by the Ac^t. I have stated & now enclosed - he remains
in our debt upwards of \$1000 - I am sorry to find he
is not prepared to pay it - he paid me only \$275
cash & says he must have a little time & the whole
shall be paid - I have every reason to believe that
M^r. Ash means to do the fair thing - but how far
his resources are equal I know not - I did not
charge him with the debt. on the money advanced him
- nor do I think we ought to be too hard with him.
that is. I think his Bus^{ness} would have commanded more
& his go hops also - therefore I think we may
as well reduce his balance to \$500 - ~~at~~ for
which we may demand his Note payable on
demand, with int^{erest}. till paid - I submit this
to yourself & our other friends - I have asked
if he can give any security as an endorser on
his Note - but he speaks in a doubtful manner
as to this - therefore his own Note we must
take I conclude - He says, he can pay another
small payment when he gets to Wash^{ington} - The
whole balance as stated in the Ac^t. let the
Note be taken for - any deduction can be made
hereafter on his Ac^t -

Yrs. respectfully
A. Maynard