Weather hitherto, tho very mild & favourable for the Country. Yet has been quite the reverse to us: I believe the oldest Man never saw a Winter so very warm & dry. Since the middle of December, We have had but four rainy days at different Times & no Snow to lay 24 hours: The Navigation entirely open: The Creeks even hardly being froze 2 days together: This has thrown us behind hand considerably as there really has been no Seasons to get the Tob: ready, every thing is engaged, and the Planters are now as busy as the Weather will permit in stripping & prizing. We have no Chance for an Inspection Law till next meeting of the assembly which is prorogued to Oct: However the People have agreed to carry their Tob: to the old Houses & Inspectors are appointed to receive & inspect it for the due Performance of which, They are to enter into an Obligation with Penalty. The Capt thinks the Restoration will not carry more than 200 hhds of so much; She is so sharp a good deal of breakage must be made. I shall continue to advise You of every Opportunity that Occurs

Yrs &c

Mess: Stevenson
Randolph & Cheston

Dear Sir/ Balt Town 16 Feby 1771

I have been sometime in Expectation of receiving the Money for the Goods I sold you in the Summer. It is now upwards of two Mo: since it became due: & therefore shall be much obliged if settled immediately. I really am much in want of Cash. I am &c ——

To Mr Geo: Irwin York

Balt: Town March 16th 1770

Gent: —

Since Mine of the 12th of Jany & 7 Feby I have Recd none of yr Favors; In my Last I complained of the Mildness of the weather to that time, but Now have much greater Reason to be Dissatisfied with the Other Extreme, Att the 12th ult: the Navigation of Rivers & Bay were entirely Stopd which continued to att: the 25th when the ice broke up, Since which Time we have had continual hard gales of wind accompanied with Rain & Snow, so that it was really Dangerous for Craft to Venture Out of Harbour. ~~In my Last~~ I also wrote You the Restoration was Just beginning to take in, which was indeed all the was able to Do tile within Their Week, & the wife