The I expect will be loaded so as to sail at farthest in 6 days time from this — If the non Exportation does not take place till next September and I am not obliged to leave the Country Cargos of Wheat & Flour or Tobacco, I dare say may be easily had for the Isabella & Elizabeth — only this I would observe either must be provided chiefly with Bills as there is now an end to the payment of debts I have been able to get nothing comparatively speaking for these three Months past, & there is no chance of its being better for some time to come

I shall write you very soon again & am Gentlemen

Your Very Hble. Servt

J. C.

To Messrs Stevenson Randolph & Chester Bristol

Baltimore May 6th 1775

Gent.

This serves to cover Invoice & Bill of Lading for 235 barrels of Flour Amts to £1376-3-0 Cur.y shipped in the Schooner Ninety two, Isaac Thirston Master, which please place to the A/c of general Acct. — I have wrote by two or three Opportunities, My Reasons for this Measure Were, that if a Non Exportation was Resolved on either by our Convention, which was sitting at the time, or the Continental Congress, which last it is probable will be the case, that a Quantity of Flour left by the Isabella, would in all probability, by laying here, tho' the Summer, have been lost — Besides the Am.t being kept so much longer out of y.r hands — I have repeatedly wrote you of the turn, the Engagement to the Northward has given to Mens Minds — I again repeat, I think they'll shut up the Exports at the Congress, If not more — In that there is the other prospect, but that an end will be soon put to all business and every thing else run into the greatest disorder and confusion — I have been upon the point of Determining to leave the country immediately by two or three times I have been kept from it, In hopes, that things would take a turn for the better — If they turn out as I am apprehensive they will, It will be of little consequence to our affairs where I am for some time However for the present, I am Resolved to wait for the Resolves of the congress & the consequences they may have in a short time, before I take such a Step — I expect my Brother from George Town to morrow — The Snow left it today for the Mouth of the River, where I shall dispatch a Boat, immediately, with my letters and orders to proceed as fast as possible — By her I shall write more fully — The price of the fine flour is higher than perhaps you would expect from the prices Lately for some time past — The Reason is, that one half of it was among the first, bought for the Isabella