If you were to take some pains to get in with him — Write me as often as Opportunities offer and very fully — Let me know how my Lottery tickets turn out — Perhaps you may have Opportunities by Men of war or transports and by sending several copies, one may chance to hand —

To Mr Daniel Cheston
to the care of Mr Wm
Randolph Bristol

I am &c.
James Cheston

D. Brother

Maryland March 14. 1776

You may imagine the surprize and Uneasiness, I felt at Receiving Letters from Mr Randolph & my Brother Daniel of the 24 & 29. of November, one complaining of my Reserved conduct, the other of your putting off, when he Applied to you for a Settlement of his Fortune & to have it put in his own hands, which to do, till his Letter came to hand, I took for granted Required no More, than transferring so Much Stock — But to my Astonishment It seems you had taken it out of the funds some considerable time ago together with my Sisters fortune, which I send by Mr. Bensley was not all paid to him the beginning of last Summer, Added to all which the Information that you are indebted in Bristol upwards of £3000 Sty Upon Wm Ard. — & Silence to me about these & every other Matter, but Just the business that was transacted in this County under my Inspection has given me Just cause of Alarm & complaint — Under these circumstances together with my being a Married Man and in all probability a Father in Both Months, You cannot be surprised If I take every precaution to prevent any ill consequences resulting to me from any part of your Conduct untill the Doubts and apprehensions which what I have already Mentioned together with not having a single Line from you tho' my Brother Daniel writes I share, has Unavoidably raised in my Mind, is cleared up & subsided — For which purpose I have thought it Necessary to send a power of Attorney to Mr Randolph & my Brother Daniel to act for me, till I come to England, (which I hope will be in my Power by the last of the Summer) with whom I hope You will not hesitate to adjust and settle all Acc.ts subsisting between