inconvenient to you to furnish them, you will please write me & If I conclude on the measure, I will transmit you an invoice, so as to be ready for the Sept spring, by which time Many of the present adventurers will, I fancy be heartily sick of the business.

You mention, you should have no objection to be concerned in a Small cargo of wheat, If it could be got to Market by the last of August. It is too late to attempt to purchase old wheat and the new cannot be ready until October. As to my taking part in Speculations in this commodety or any other for some time, I must confess my Poverty will prevent. I have no other way to raise money but from the Debts in this Country, which will not be collected in a Short time. I have been pretty constantly employed for these last 12 months in riding about after our Debtors, few or None of whom, I find in circumstances to make immediate payment, tho all, with but very trifling exceptions, good at Bottom. I shall leave No Stone unturned to get them into as Narrow a compass as possible and as Quick as the Nature of the thing will allow of. The people during the War, were hard put to it, to raise Money enough to pay their taxes, the consequence of which is, that when the peace came, they were so bare of every thing, that what money the taxes which are Still as high as ever, left them, they lay out, with thinking of their old Debts - They cannot be Sued till the 1st of January Next and I believe was that law to be continued forever, so long would the payment of old Debts be put off. I get barely enough to pay a few workmen I employ at the Ship, (Mr Galloway having a Number of Negroes used to the business) and answer Family Expences which are but very Small as I still live with him. I pay Mr. Hemsley one third of the Money as I receive it. He is very pressing for the whole but I can do no more.

Stevenson as I told you before, had Cajoled Page into a payment of Depreciated paper currency for what he owed us. After a Variety of meetings & many letters passing between Page & myself on the Subject, I think he begins to squeak. I have some hopes from a letter I rec.d from him a few days ago, I shall bring him to a Settlement, with't being forced into a Lawsuit, which at present is 3 Times as expensive as formerly from the exorbitant fees of Lawyers. Sooner than it shall come to that extremity I will allow him the Real Value of what he paid to Stevenson, which agreable to the Depreciation at the time of payment will amount to £123-19-0 Stg, which that bad man took for £2271-2-10 3/4 Stg and gave a Receipt for in yours & my name. I have no kind of Connection with him. It is not in his power to hurt us in the long run, but he may. If he takes it in head, give us some trouble, I would therefore be glad, If you could Influence his Creditors in England to send out a copy of the Commission of Bankrupt-

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