of a large part of their property to one of the creditors and did not appear to the commission & consequently was outlawed - This induced many of the Creditors among whom were Governor Randolph & Chester to decline proving their Debts under the commission - A copy which has not yet been transmitted from England nor any person empowered to act for them - here. Brown came to Maryland immediately after the Outlawry & Buchanan had lived here many years, and Perkins is Dead. On my application to them here, Brown who was the acting partner in London, acknowledged the Justice of the Debt, but when prepared for payment in Company with Mr Buchanan alledged they thought themselves not Justified in Applying a part of the property belonging to the house in Maryland & which was not included in the above mentioned Assignment to a Discharge of this claim, with'l they were in some Measure compelled by a Due course of law. At the same time they did not wish to litigate it in the same Manner as if there was a Real cause of Dispute & therefore it was proposed as a middle course, that writs should be issued, two Non est's, Det.d and then Attachments to be laid in the hands of their Debtors here. To this all parties agreed & now trouble you for your assistance to accomplish it. If you should want any further information on the subject be pleased to mention it & I will again write you. If I should not be in Baltimore soon again - I am Dr Sir

Your Most Ob.t Serv.t
James Chestor

To Mr Ric.d Ridgly
Attorney at Law Baltimore

Dr Sir

West River Maryland April 28.th 1789

I did myself the pleasure of writing you the 24.th inst.o Since which I have not been favoured with any of yours. Your Ship Leviathan does not yet make her appearance, which I am very sorry for, as it is now the height of the Fishing Season, and the price of Salt beginning to decline. Rum & Sugar has likewise fallen. I have not yet heard of a Charter for her, tho' I am constantly on the look out -

I have not yet been successful in procuring a Vessel to bring you the 100 hhds of tob.o Vessels of that size is not to be got on Freight for Europe but at extravagant Rates - the Expences otherwise running away with the whole Profits. However I shall still endeavor to do it, as from all our Accts from England, I am satisfied you would make a very handsome Profit on the Adventure - Tobacco still keeps up - the Price is from 35/- to 40/. and I believe