1771 JUNE 21 JAMES BARNES TO ?

SIDE ONE

Kent Island 21st June 1771

Dear Sir

I received yrs of the 14th Instant, & the Sloop; & duly Observe the Contents. When Jean McSuder Said he told me his other Sloop would be here the Last of this Week after Tobacco for you; should that be the Case, it will not (I believe) be in my power to Load your Craft, should you send her, without detaining her Longer than perhaps would be Agreeable to you, as Our Inspection is scarce half over, we are under the Necessity of detaining Our Vessells at the Warehouse, till we can get the Tob.o Carried in by the planters; & Inspected, & should you think proper to send your Vessell, she will be obliged to lie till I can get her Load in that Manner, you may depend upon my Collecting as fast as possible, & shall give the Vessells that come after the Tobacco all the dispatch in my Power; I suppose McSuder intends his other Sloop to be kept constantly employed between this place & Baltimore if so I think she will Carry the Tobacco as fast as I can Collect it, as she will at least without Accident Carry a Load a Week, I have returned the Sloop the Thread to.t of Mr Christie, it was Osnabrigs Thread I Wanted, I hope Mr Christie will take it back as I have a very great plenty in the Store already, I will forward the Invoice of the Tobacco & Shipt Shipell, I wou'd by Christmas have not time, I remain Dear Sir Your Obt Hble Servt

The Shippers to your Hono.r Mary Hble Servt

Last fall are much disturbed J.s Barnes

at not being Acq.d Sales of your

Last Ship Some are disappointed

in Goods sent for