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Bristol 3d August 1773

Mr James Cheston

Dear Sir

This will be handed You by Capt. Thomas, for whom We hope You will be prepard agreable to our several advices with 7000 Bush.ls Indian Corn notwithstanding what We said in our of 14th Ult.o respecting ye filling them up with Tob.o, as We thought Flour must be much lower here after Harvest, yet as all ye old Stock must be exhausted & prices are now rather advancing, We are of opinion Flour will not be more than 1/- ye C.t under ye present prices between this & Christmas & wheat in proportion, We therefore leave it entirely to You to fill them up with those Articles or Tob.o as You shall judge most for our Interest, at ye same time giving them all possible dispatch. In consequence of ye Eden Capt. Nicholson putting into this port, We became engagd with Mess.rs Perkins & Co. in ye disposal of her Cargo, shipping some Irish Linnen by her on their Acc.t amounting to £607.- 4.- 6 & fitting ye Ship out for Virginia, but before those Acc.ts were clos'd We found Mr Brown had withdrawn himself privately to America, which leads us to think their affairs are

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Thomas Randolph