1774 MAY 21 — MAYNES & CO. TO JAMES CHESTON

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Mr James Cheston
Baltimore
Maryland

Lisbon 21st May 1774
Wayne & Co.

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Sir

About fourteen days ago arrived here the Ship Isabella, Capt Simon Bryffett from your place with a Cargo of Wheat & Flour on Freight, & as Said Capt. has your instructions as well as directions from your house of Messrs Stevenson Randolph & Cheston of Bristol to apply to us, he addressed us his Vessell & we have rendred him every assistance in our power, both in settling his freight here, & furnishing him with a Cargo of good Salt. Inclosed you have bill of Lading & Invoice of Said Cargo, amounting to Rs. 206$228 for which we have debited your house at Bristol in Acct. Curr.t as also for the Vessell's Port charges & disbursem.ts & Rs. 144$000 paid Capt. Bryffett for Ships use, & we have credited the same for the Isabella's freight to this place & Rs. 90$099 for Produce of a small parcell of Staves as p Acct Sales herewith. We likewise trouble you with an Abstract of Said Acct. Curr.t Ballanced by our draft for Rs 1333$772 Exp. 66 5/8 on London to the order of Messrs Stevenson Randolph & Cheston, which we delivered to Capt. Bryffett who will forward it to those Gent.n & thus this transaction is closed which we doubt not will meet your approbation.

The demand for your produce at this Market has been for some time very dull, owing to Supplies of Country Wheat that are constantly coming to Market which keeps back Sales of Foreign, & if the Crops in the ground prove plentyfull, there