1775 Feb. 9 William Stevenson to James Cheetham

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London 9th Feby 1775

Dear Jemmy

I suppose you have mine of 28th ult. w.h you have not had an opp.ty of forwarding 'till now by Mr. Bowley, who has promised to deliver it.

I am still here on the Business mentioned in my last, w.h I hope to bring to a happy issue.

We inform me of Crawford & Bryfetts being forced back by violent Gales of Wind, but does not say whether they are sailed again, tho' am affraid not, He also tells me he has rec.d Yours of 24th Dec.r advising Thomas was sailed kept Day expect soon to hear of his arrival, I have recommended by all means to push her off again immediately as American Affairs seem to be in a desperate situation, from the violent measures adopted by Administration, both Lords & Commons paying no regard to Petitions have Jointly agreed to address the King to enforce the Acts, promising to support Him with their Lives & Fortunes, w.h was presented this Day, the Merch.ts also last Night determined to petition the King, tho' without hopes of success, as you may depend I have it from the best authority that Gen.l Bourgoyne goes to Virginia with Troops, Howe & Clinton to Boston that men of War

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