1789 April 4 From Washington to Galloway

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to have it fed and ruled over with Hickory sticks — I fear and indeed know my affairs must want my presence & we in some measure suffer — but it cannot be helped — I shall now return better satisfied with the Situation that I have been for some time past — you are in hopes I have received a bill of between 4 & 600 pounds which was indeed in so good a footing and I could have wished — I recollect it was agreed that when I came over in February that we should go into a settlement of my fathers estate when I came over — we was to make a report of going into that business with you — Jenny Ringgold cannot send Garden seeds for me of the Gardener has and yet there will be time enough to send up to Annapolis for them — I have been disappointed in getting Clover seed from Philadelphia — request Sharpe not to sew his coat untill I come over — have bought as much medium as will poison our family for a year or two — from all accounts our house is not inhabitable but we must make Mr. White patch up one room for us — Polly has such charming accounts of the improvements that she is very impatient to see them & I can assure you we want to see you all & shall be very happy to be set down once more at Tulip Hill — Never was ~~more~~ money more scarce with me than at present — I intended the money due from Rousby should go in payment of the debt due Assignees of Ph. & R. but if you have so had her have paid Rodgely please to keep it till I come over as I must make use of some of it untill my return from the Mana — Wheat does not get up in price as has been thought it would I fear there never will be a great rise — I have propagated the bad accounts of the price of Tobacco in Europe but I find the people on this Shore are determined on making it & I believe there will be a very great crop pitched this Spring — your great West River planters tend better than 400 a year this have sufficient to go to market the blackguard weed — Polly joins me in love to every body — all love here — Polly hopes to have you in your neat when your family will escape the bay — she has a reason for it

Dear Sir Yours

Chester Town Apr. 4th 1789 West Affleck

John Galloway