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therefore wait till the communication is more open and the connexion between this country and Maryland is more established before I can write you so fully as I desire.

I have sent you a book by Mr. Gordon, which I wrote by desire of the Great, which has been much commended, by which nevertheless I am one hundred Pounds out of pocket. I need not therefore tell you that I am as poor as Job and require as much patience and comfort. The Refugees have now some hope. The Parliament have appointed Commissioners to inquire into their conduct and losses, in order that equitable compensation may be made. In this competition I must be as able as well as I can.

I need not tell you that I am still busy: But, alas! I labour diligently in a barren field. With full access to the State papers at Whitehall I am now writing the History of the late Revolution. I am determined to do justice to all parties. And tho' a common man would be astonished to see how much I have already done yet I foresee that I have still two years labour to perform. I will persevere in well doing, because I wish it to be engraven on my stone. Here is a Branch of diligence.

Your former Maryland acquaintances are still alive and doing the best they can. As to myself, I think after all my labours and disappointments I enjoy better health now than I have done for some years past. I will endeavour to preserve it even for the sake of those who love me the best of whom nothing can recompense me.

Pray continue to regard me as the most faithful of your friends

Geo: Chalmers.

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