n.d. James Chaston incoming letter (transcribed)

SIDE ONE

Mr James Chaston
Philip Hall

Forwarded by Franklin
Mr Thomas
Hall

I received my dear Mr Chastons letter early the morning after he left us, and was much pleased at your intention of going to Baltimore I watched the wind all Day after you left us, and found it continue a head and so light that it was impossible to get to Annapolis. I am sorry to tell you there is very little alterration in Fanny's Cough The Doc.r sees her every Day and says she has very little if any fever, he has left of giving her the Paregoric she now takes a pill at Night & rested better, he last evening. she has been all Day in a moist state and I flatter my self she is upon the whole better the Doc.r says he does not wish to have her relaxt any more, and if she does not get better in a Day or two he shall give her a gentle Puke to throw of the phlegm after which he is in hopes she will be able to take the bark, my Bro.r is much as you left him only more depressed in his spirits, indeed I fear I shall be infected by the Air of this place which seems to breath nothing but Vaperous complaints. I never in my life saw so many Woful countenances, you hear