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My Dear Emory

Yours of the 24th Inst reached me this morning per mail, Wm Johnson Esq arrived here last week near 8 O'clock, many of his friends were in attendance at Barnums to receive him ~~much~~ myself among them; the nine conspicuous of them were Messrs R. R Richardson, Pitts & little Poe were prominent in the occasion, Pitts stated he was promised to meet Johnson there & I incline to the opinion those Gentlemen have his ear to a great extent: some day last week Johnson came in here to see Thomas and agree relative to their canvass throughout the State, I when I called at Barnums to see him I found Richardson & Pitts in his room in consultation; last night Richardson introduced him to the people "my friends & fellow citizens, I introduce to you my friend the Honble Wm Col Johnson the Whig candidate for Governor" this morning the two candidates crossed the Magg to Cambridge, and to day Thomas Emory Tilson informed me he intends to meet Mr Johnson at Easton with a carriage & horse to accompany him from thence to Denton, thence to Centreville, thence to Chestertown &c in what you say relative to my future hopes, & prospects: Pitts acquiesce in big "your (meaning me) plan now is to look at the State Government" Emory you know the delicacy of the ~~I~~ may subjected to, When Grayson ejected me from Office, & in opinion & fact, & that it was my poverty that caused the same I have often repeated, particularly within the last months, I did not immediately thereafter surrender my little property to my creditors; I should have done or had not my friends induced me to hope, in case of Whig success the General Govern-

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