[illegible] Mr. Cash and he
[illegible] of us, and not let our opponents
[illegible] our anxious. Your Martin may very respectable
[illegible] the members and leave a favorable impression
[illegible] the minds. He is certainly a highly honorable
[illegible] gentleman, though I believed another. —

Ellis
Oct 5th
1829

Mr. Ellis
13th

I hope the pleasure to hear from you at all times.
The mark of prosecution goes merrily on and
Bero has departed from all his previously ex-
pressed opinions. Present me kindly to all friends
& I am most truly — B. L. Sommes

Mt Cedar Grove

My dear Sir,

Your very esteemed favor of the 5th of March last was received on the eve of my departure from Annapolis just before the close of the session. I then laid it by with a determination to answer it on the 13th after my arrival home, but on the 13th I had the severest attack of disease that I have experienced, and confined to my bed 34 days, and life despaired of nearly [illegible] this will account for my [illegible] for I am only beginning within the last few days to resume my accustomed avocations. It is useless at this late period to say anything of our legislative proceedings