Chester Town Feby 1st 1846

Dr Sir

Your letter of the 7th & 25 - I not have been received - I cannot find words sufficiently expressive of my grief and astonishment at the charges contained in the first - and in justice to the dead you must allow me to say, that I think you are entirely mistaken in those charges (to say the least of them) against one who never, never could have acted so dishonorably, as I understand your words to imply. I now again repeat, that I do, most firmly and conscientiously believe the account referred to in the Ledger to be just & true, my situation in regard to this business is truly distressing - and the recent charges if known to my bereaved family would cause them the deepest grief, & in justice to the memory of their lamented Father, & for the sake of all concerned, I intreat you Sir most earnestly to fix on an Arbitrator at the earliest possible moment, one who is at all acquainted with the business, & will take the trouble to examine impartially, all the papers relative to it, I will not object to - I have searched for the papers that you requested me to send you, without success - should they be found upon looking further I will send them to you without delay - many Books and a portion of the papers - it is supposed were condemned in the fire - in July 1842 - If you desire it, you can examine all that are left - The above was partly written on wednesday last - but could not finish it in time for the mail - I am pleased to add that poor C. is rather better, she enjoyed the apples very much that Catharine was so kind as to send her - in haste - respy - A Tilghman

Feby 28 -

Letter
Mrs Hannah Tilghman
Feby 28 1846
Answer immediately

I have no copy of my letter to which this is an reply - I suppose that it will satisfy Mr. Tilghman that it will be useless for me to attempt a reply - But I utterly denounce the conclusion which he draws from it & the language in which he has expressed it

Yours respectfully
Thos. Emerson

CHESTERTOWN MARYLAND
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