

Money transactions.

The Supplies which the Ships have received here  
of Ballocks from several Places has been sufficient  
to enable us to keep the resources which are upon the  
East End of Long Island in reserve for any emergency  
that you might eventually & suddenly look upon  
us to furnish. I think I could from this spot <sup>just</sup>  
bring in proportion of a Hundred head of Cattle in a  
couple of hours - & any quantity in an equal proportion  
of time. for the grazing is admirable & they are <sup>driven</sup> driven  
even from the greatest parts of the Island. to profit by it  
I have had thoughts of Stocking Plum Island or  
Block Island - but I think it probable that  
I may find the latter situation convenient as a depot  
but on the other hand I am not clear that it is worth  
while running even the risk of losing them. When  
by any great time, the stock may be taken off <sup>by us</sup> from the  
above situation besides the certain Supplies which  
rather conveyed & that neighbourhood can always  
furnish us with & besides of course receiving them at  
the fair market Price.