Thos. Moygan
Cookstown

4th Jany 1807

Dr Sir

I have your's of the 30th & have applied several times at the Permit office but did not find the Surveyor who grants the Permits however I shall endeavour to see him to day — Your Claim shd be written something as follows — I suppose — I Thos Moygan of Cookstown Mercht do claim as my property 12 Chests of Tea Mark — Number wh were on the day of Dec seized by — Surv. & Gaugr in cons. of short Dy being mentioned in the Permit & signed by yourself & direct to the Ex Colr of your District at the usual place where he holds his Office wh claim I suppose should be given in by yourself or by some person who can be given in from the Delivery ~~either~~ to the Ex Colr or to his representative either at his Office or place of residence I wd also make sure have Copy's of y. claim delivd to both the Surv. & Gauger who made the Seizure — I suppose the Ex Office is either held at Armagh or Dungannon — I suppose those directions if followed up will serve the purpose but perhaps you can be directed better — However do not on any acct omit making yr Claim immediately in such manner as is regular or wd you'll be able to prove before 20 days are expired — otherwise it wd be a certain Loss

C Bn

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Sir

Belfast 4 Jany

Since writing you this morng I find I was in some mistake as to my Instructions as to yr mode of claiming the Teas in as much as it will be necessary for you to apply personally at the Ex Office Armagh accompd by one or two respectable Inhabitants who will with you have to enter into Bond with you for to abide the decision of a Trial, Comd &c & at same time give in your Claim in writing for the 12 Chests of Tea now under seizure — In order that no delay may take place the time being nearly expired I have adopted the plan of sending the Bearer Mr Hugh Cameron my Clerk with this letter & beg that you will not loss a moment in going forward to perform the requisites in wh Case from the fairness of the transaction I am satisfied no worse consequence can ensue than a little trouble or a short delay — This day spoke to our Ex Colr Surveyor who says that there is a positive Act of Parliament against permitting Teas back to the same Distr from whence they came without an order signed by the Chief Commissioners of Excise —

Jamd C Byrne