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Dear Sir I take this first opportunity of writing to you, as I am certain when you hear how this Country is going on you will be much surprised. The Inhabitants of Dublin &c are now preparing a Petition to go before the Parliament for the purpose of trying to have the Union repealed & the Country at present is quite discontented especially as they are now collecting an additional tax of 50 pC on Windows — now for this Town it is quite altered A Thompson. D. & Armstrong & some others are left this Country for Forgery & large Rewards are offered for them, there was never so many failures in this Town as has been since you left it,

At the time of the Forgeries, the Banks stopped discounting any Bills & Persons who had Bills in & could not get Money for others to pay as they became due, were obliged to shut immediately

Mr Napier &c writes I believe of this vessel to you Mrs N has not been very well. Miss Mr Naghten is well D Bryson sends his kind Compliments to you Jack Sunkin, is very badly situated, I have been looking out for one for him these three months but cannot hear of any he stays still in the old one but is I am certain breaking his Heart, he rues greatly he did not go with you P.T.O.

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