Dear Sir. Amelia Island
Octr. 24th 1814.

I have received your esteemed letter of the 8th: covering your letter for your Europe in which I shall be carefully forwarded by the first good opportunity — I have sure immediately certain — that no doubt such an one will occur soon —

I have pleased to ask the favor of your good offices to render me a service in your neighbourhood. On the night of the 19th ult. Mrs Marlow (lady of my late excellent friend Joel Barlow our former Minister in France) being a near friend and intimate in our house and who is now with us, on her way from New York to this place, stopped at Taney Town, and put up there at the Stage house. The name of the host, she does not remember — at this house her servant was robbed of all his clothes — and these to a considerable amount — I think Taney Town is immediately in your vicinity — and I doubt not if you will be good enough to

describe of the things lost, and will be very much obliged to you to endeavour to recover them — and have them held safe until they can be conveyed to me — I think by mentioning in private the circumstances to the clerk of the house, he will, as I have no doubt he must have the due prosecution to do — for in: deed the reputation of his house is concerned he will be able to trace the thief — he will no doubt readily trace a white of his dear sleep in the way I describe with his Barrow clean — and by separating him from his friends and securing his pieces of dress at before any alarm is given I do every thing they will be readily come at — indeed I think it is probable that by this time — thinking the travellers two for to detect at him — he may have pawned some of the effects to raise cash by wearing them himself or disposing of them — If any you will accept the humble Sam this assuring of you of the assured of the Respect & Regard of yours very obt Hble

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Worthy Bernie Esqr