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Mr. J. Barnett
P. Branch. near
Tanytown.
Maryland

Norfolk 21st Dec. 1816
Portsmouth Mkt. House

Dear Sir. Norfolk 21st December 1816

yesterday I received your esteemed favor under 12th current, in consequence I immediately set an enquiry on foot for your parcel of Olive Branch, failing to obtain information in other quarters. I had recourse to Mr. Barnett from whom I found he had sent it on to I. C. White & Sons about 14 days ago. there were not any charges incurred on it here.

Business since the Peace has scarcely got into a regular train yet. our Concern have been laying in their cars. a great many others would have been killed had they done so too. most of the transactions since the above period have been very unprofitable. I am in hopes Mr. Barnett will do very well. I delivered your message to him. James Poor filled like the rest of us undertook too much for his means. He made a compromise with his Creditors

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