thousand Dollars in specie was advanced to the
Maryland line on account of their pay from the 5th
of August 1780 to the 1st of January 1781 I there=
fore contend that she is entitled to Interest from
the last day mentioned, because had not this advance
been made by the state the Union would in their
final settlement have issued Certificates to the In=
=dividuals in the same amount, and which would
have born Interest from that period. In his reply
it is remarked that the several sums were not paid
till long after January 1781 and he is therefore
of opinion that a Medium from the time of the
several payments should be fixed from whence the
interest ought to arise. his answer has not yet
been final, should it disagree with the opinion I
have given above it is my intention to remove it to
the General Board on Principles of Equity &c.
The papers formerly stated and delivered in to the Board
have undergone an inspection by the Clerks, and are
in a great measure ready for their decision, but in
consequence of the late Vacancy they have not as yet
begun to act, this being a favourable time, and
finding it necessary to be possessed of the originals
or Copies of many papers in the state in order to
establish the Claims, I have repair'd to this place
for that purpose and that no time might be
lost have brought the Young Gentleman beforemen=
=tioned with me who is now ~~assisting~~ in copying
such laws and other papers as to me appears ab=
=solutely necessary to secure the state in many of
her Demands. I likewise beg leave to mention
that, I