300 Acres annexed to that, which I sold for about 7 or 8 Pounds - If you have any thoughts of making this County your Residence that may be a desirable place as I have no Expectation that the Navy being there will much advance the price - other Lands adjoining it by which it will be enlarged - From the Letter in Baltimore County & the expected Sales here, it appears that confiscated Property is proposed to any other, the reason I am at Loss to conjecture, the Terms of Sale being so guarded as to preclude all Advantages that might otherwise result from a depreciation of the Paper Money before the Times of Payment - If I should be mistaken in my Idea of the price of these Lands and an advantageous purchase should present itself I will take it on the Terms you have proposed - I wish to hear from you by any Opportunity that may offer in time respecting the Navy Yard which I have recommended to you - Perhaps a Navy Yard would be desirable to you - Navy Yards will be cheaper than the Lands -

Tedmony hath made its Exit here, except with my Neighbour Schwartzel, who hath collected a large Sum, which he will invest in some of the Lands, and exchange the rest for Specie Bonds - Strange as it may appear yet so it is the fact, that some persons who meant to purchase have taken up that Money in the manoeuvres of Schwartzel, and yet refuse to part with any Commodity for it - This can proceed from nothing but a determination not to give a Credit to any Paper Money. And upon this Hypothesis I conclude, I have this morning Symptoms of the disorder prevailing here and was sick in Bed - My Family with my Brothers join in respectful Compliments to Mrs Lee

Your sincerely &c.

R Potts

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