His Excellency
Governor Lee

Dear Governor

Thursday Afternoon —
Nov. 1st 1781 —

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Since my Letter by this Post My Son Nicy Ar-
-rived from Head Quarters Virg. He has the Hon.
to Address Your Excellency — He brought me
a Letter from His Brother which I have the
Pleasure to Inclose — I shall have the Hon.
to make my Acknowledgments to Major
Genl Henry Personally —— Would not a Seat in
the Council, be more Agreeable to that Gent.
than in the Senate? I believe His Merit would
Command a Choice —— I mention this bec-
-ause, If he would prefer a Seat in the Council
it will be proper to Determine Qualify ing in the
Senate untill After the Second Tuesday of this
Month.

My Son has recovered & sent up to me
16 of my Run away Slaves, Women & Children
except my old Coachman Jamy — There are
some others who Sculked away from York —
on the Surrender which I hope will be laughed
Many Died of the Small Pox &c. Some are
at N. York & others at S. Carolina.

I have the Honor to be
With perfect respect & Esteem
Your Excellency's
Affect. & Oblig.d Hble Serv.t
Wm. Fitzhugh

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