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[Richard Graves to Gov. Lee]

[Asks pass for Col. Chalmers's lady. Graves has not met Lee. Her eldest son is about to leave New York for England for education and she wishes to see him and her husband in New York. Last Fall she had a pass from the Council of Safety of Philadelphia to go to New York and went to Elizabethtown with Mr. Lewis, who was a member of Congress, but returned thence, having learned that the Colonel had embarked for the West Indies. She is a "Lady of Fortune" and has "since the absence of her husband conducted herself in such a manner as to endear herself to all those with whom she hath been acquainted."]

[Chas. Thomson Secry, Secretary's Office to Gov. Lee]

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Sir I take the liberty of transmitting you a duplicate of an Act of Congress passed the 16th March 1778 the utility of which is apparent: And as it may be proper and necessary that you should be informed of the several acts and proceedings of Congress, I have herewith sent you a copy of their Journal from the first of January last, and shall continue to send you from time to time their weekly publications. On the other hand as a communication of your acts may be advantageous, and lodging them in this office for the information of the delegates of the other States beneficial to the union, and tend to facilitate the transmitting to prosperity the use and progress of these infant States, I take the liberty of requesting you to transmit to this office a copy of the constitution or form of government adopted by your State upon the declaration of Independance, and of all the public acts passed by your legislation since that period. If you can add any pamphlets or documents relative to the controversy and revolution, they shall be carefully deposited and preserved, and thereby you may do an acceptable service to posterity and oblige
Sir Your very humble Servant

[Sam Smith Balt to Gov. Lee]

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Sir Permit me to Congratulate you, on proper Respect being paid to your Merit, in your late promotion,, may your first years Government be made memorable by a peace with Great Britain.

The Sloop Molly Cap^t Peregrine Dunk goes this Day to Joppa to lade with flour for the State of Virginia, I beg your Excell^{ys} permit to Clear her out. I mentioned to the late Governor, the Expences attending the sending to Annapolis for a permit to every Vessell, if it could be dispens'd with, I should be much oblig'd . . .any Mercantile Business the State may have occasion for, I shall be glad to