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Charles Thomson to To: Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer

Sir,

Trenton Novemr. 11t. 1784

I had the honor to receive your favour of the 1st. I have not received any official advice from Mr. Ellsworth or Mr. Denning, but have been given to understand that the latter will certainly accept the Appointment & probably the former.(1)

A sufficient number of States have not yet assembled to proceed to business but it seems to be the wish of the Members present that you would come forward. At their desire I have ordered Mr. Phillips the Presidents Steward to proceed to Annapolis and bring up the furniture belonging to the President's household and as the Superintendant has resigned I am desired by the States & Members present to request the favour of you to advance to Mr. Phillips for the purpose of defraying his expences and for the removal of the goods the sum of two hundred Dollars, for which you will receive a Warrant from the President when elected. (2)

With great respect, I am &c, C.T.

Note:

LB (DNA: PCC, item 18A).

1 Jenifer, along with William Denning and Oliver Ellsworth, had been elected a commissioner to the new treasury board created June 3, 1784. For Jenifer's inability to accept the appointment, see Thomson to Jenifer, October 19, note. Denning, despite Thomson's expectation, declined the appointment in a letter of December 6, and Ellsworth had already sent Thomson a similar letter of October 20. See PCC, item 78, 8:89-92, 417-18.

For the election of three new commissioners on January 25, John Lewis Gervais, Walter Livingston, and Samuel Osgood, see JCC, 28:18.

2 See the following entry.

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