

concerns the making of a Tobacco Law without regulation
ens there as may alter the trade from that oppressive Bur
then which it now labours under of near Tuesday Tobacco

But forasmuch as it is apprehended that Laws made
for the Reforming the Culture and Management of the Sta
ple of Tobacco the different Circumstances of the places
conducive would be most conducive to the publick good
the only thing which we have now in view when we are
may be alike and with the same restrictions and regula
tions therein it would be very pleasing therefore if we
might have a sketch of your proceedings in Virginia with
relation to the Tobacco Law which is said to be under the
Consideration of the Legislature in the present Sessions
of Assembly for all the care that for the Improvement of
the Tobacco Trade hath always been equal to that of our
Neighbourhood yet the different notions and conceptions
which men often times conceive of the same end which
they are equally zealous in the pursuit of have hitherto
Obstructed all our endeavours that way until now that
the Exigencies of our trade and the necessities of our people
have opened their eyes and put them upon petitioning
of themselves for the very same thing which they rejected
when first offered to them but now the face of things
seems to be quite altered and the people's expectations
Center in a Tobacco Law only we therefore hope for a suc
cess issue from the proceedings of our next Sessions which
is to begin upon the second Tuesday in July next

The beg... of your Honour and the honorable Mem
bers of the Council of Virginia to believe that this present
application hath no other foundation than an ambitious