

to the dispositions of the Legation of the French Republic and
to tender to you the high consideration, with which I have
the honour to be &
Citizen J. A. Pickens

John. F. Mercer

In Council November the 27/1801

Gentlemen

By the advice of the Council, I have the honour to trans-
mit to you, for the information of the Legislature, the
inclosed communications, from the Agent for the recovery
of the Bank Stock of Maryland. - as they will be
found to comprehend part of a negotiation, still
pending between the United States and Great Britain,
and as a premature publication, prior to a final ratification
by the respective powers might tend to embarrass the
General Government, I beg leave to suggest the propriety
of guarding the inclosures from publication.

I have the honour &

The General Assembly

John. F. Mercer

In Council December the 7th 1801

Gentlemen

I have the honor to transmit the inclosed communications
from the Governor of the State of Tennessee.

The General Assembly

I am &

John. F. Mercer

Council Chamber Annapolis Decm: 31/1801

Sir,

I have the honour of transmitting to your Excellency inclosed,
a Law passed during this Session of the Legislature of Maryland,
respecting the Turnpike Road proposed to be established on
the Western Frontier of this State, in order that the Legislature
of Virginia, may have an early opportunity of making any
corresponding alterations in their Law on this Subject that may
be deemed necessary.

I have also inclosed a Resolution passed the Legislature of
Maryland, for ascertaining by amicable adjustment the Western
and Southern boundary line between this State and Virginia,
and I beg leave to recommend to the particular attention of your
Excellency, this last Resolution, in order that it may be speedily