

You will also receive enclosed marked No 2 an act of Virginia amending the act for establishing a Turnpike Road from the Mouth of Savage River or George's Creek on Potomac to the nearest Western Navigation. This law was passed in consequence of an act of Maryland of the last Session on the same Subject.

We transmitted to the Commissioners of the City of Washington the Resolution authorizing the Governor and Council upon the terms therein specified, to cancel the Bonds given by said Commissioners for the repayment of the several loans made by the State of Maryland: a copy thereof was also sent under cover to our Representatives in Congress, with a request that they would afford their aid in facilitating the object of the Legislature. Congress took the subject into consideration, but did not think proper to accept the terms proffered by the State. They however passed an act (which we inclose marked No 3) directing the immediate payment of the Interest then due on the two first loans of one hundred thousand Dollars each, and the payment of the Installments and Interest of the several loans as they might respectively become due. The last loan with the Interest due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November, and all the Interest of the two first loans except for the last quarter have been received into the Treasury. The Interest due for this quarter, we are informed will be paid in a few days, and from the assurances of the President of the United States, we have no doubt of a punctual and liberal compliance with the law.

The enclosed Letters, marked No 4, will convey all the information in our possession, relative to the Claim of Maryland to Bank Stock in the British Funds. From these it will appear, that the British Ministers made this Claim an obstacle to the completion of the Convention lately pending between the Government of the United States and that of Great Britain, and succeeded by their opposition in having it finally excluded from the negotiation, and remanded it to their Courts of Justice for decision. This Stock, thus become a second time, the subject of Foreign discussion, will we fear, be clogged with every difficulty, which heretofore induced the State, to place it in a train of diplomatic adjustment. It may perhaps, merit the consideration of the Legislature, whether other or more efficient Measures can be adopted, to culminate a determination in the British Court of Chancery.

In conformity to the Resolution vesting in the Governor and Council, the discretionary power of instituting Suits against delinquent State debtors,