

April 3rd 1820

I have the pleasure to
inform you that the Governor of
the State is authorized to send a
representative to the American Antiquarian
Society of ^{Massachusetts} ~~Massachusetts~~ and also of the laws
of Maryland. They make such large
sums and ~~sums~~ could not be replaced
should any accident happen to cause
me to miss any for less than twenty
dollars. To guard against accident
as far as possible it is desirable
to select the most safe mode of
conveyance for them - Will you
please to point out any person
living in Baltimore or in the
District of Washington to whose care
you would wish them to be sent

I have the honor to be
with high respects
your obedient Servant