

Council Chamber
Annapolis May 15th 1827.

By direction of His Excellency the Governor of this State, I
have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th
inst. in relation to the proposed measure for the relief of the
Debtors. (The same I have charged to my clerk to be forwarded to you
with this message) You will observe that the measure proposed for
the relief of the Debtors is a bill which has been introduced into
the House of Delegates for the relief of the Debtors of this State
and that the same is now under the consideration of the House.
But His Excellency is fully sensible of his constitutional obligation
and so far as the duty and respect due to the legislative authorities
of this State has been respected in the measure communicated appearing
to him most likely to produce the best result, and he will continue to
use all proper exertions for that purpose until successful.

I have the honor to be with
great respect your Excellency's
most Obedt. Servt.
T. C. Calhoun Clerk
of the Council.

Wm. Linn
Governor of this State
Annapolis

Council Chamber
Annapolis May 21st 1827.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th
inst. in relation to the proposed measure for the relief of the
Debtors. I have since been making some rough trials
of the measure and find the smaller measure to be more
equivalent to the larger one in the proportion of the
weight of the smaller measure to the larger one being
as 100 to 125. I presume the customary standards of dry measure.

I think the maker of the measure must have erred in
assuming that the smaller measure to be almost part a multiple of
the larger one. I am confirmed in this opinion by examining
the reports of the weights and measures in which I find reports from
the collector of the customs at Baltimore stating the bushels used there
to be the same as the bushels used in the State of Maryland
and that the same is exactly conformable to the existing standards
of the United States. It never will do to
establish a new measure as they are, a standard.

I shall write to you in a few days and state to you what I
have determined that we may present in furtherance of the proposed
measure. and in your letter to me you will see to Baltimore myself
only in next month and attend to the adjustments of the same.