

we shall lay your letter with the ~~rest~~ <sup>rest</sup> of the others

We are sorry for the ~~delay~~ <sup>delay</sup> in our affair  
how late <sup>met</sup> with in Canada; but trusting in the  
justice of our cause and the active spirit of our  
Countrymen, we hope matters will soon wear a  
different aspect in that quarter.

Be assured, Sir, of our utmost  
exertions at this critical crisis to prevent the  
impending calamities, which threaten this continent,  
and that the province of Maryland will continue  
to act with firmness in the common cause until  
peace may be happily restored. We are,  
10<sup>th</sup> June 1776

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N: 22. To Robert Alexander Esq:

Sir. Mr. Purviance has just now informed us of your  
return to Baltimore Town; after your long absence from  
your family, and friends, which, as it must afford you and  
them great joy and satisfaction, we most sincerely congratulate  
(Pitkin)