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William Stephens to John Kean, January 10, 1789

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Dear Sir,

The Owner of rice lands, hold such property too high, for any person to purchase; a small tract on Hutchinson's, was bought in under Sheriff's sale, for the benefit of the Plaintiff, who and now about selling it, and is willing to take nothing less than $1,000. Cash we will take. Nothing else, than $1,000. Cash we will take. Nothing else, than $1,000. Cash we will take. Nothing else, than $1,000. Cash we will take. Nothing else, than $1,000. Cash we will take.

I am told Major St. Clair had wrote you on the subject - I do not suppose the forms of law will suit the subject. To far from our People in Chatham County, wishing to settle in Carolina, in her landed example, by passing an Installment Act, in face of the Fed. Con. What by the present representations, it appears, that the people are generally opposed to such doctrine - it is said our Back Country Gentry, like a Valuation Bill very much.

Unless you want more paper money, it is

Needless to press either Bryan's estate, or Warren's property here - incline in MacQueen's suit.

There is a Balance due you, by &Person.

Title, the Board were not his, except his ownership as a Factor only.

lands are subject to revenue Tax, except sold under Sheriff's sale, or by auction or ADMIRER,
I cannot see the lands as I am to deliver, or would you wish to see as surviving partner.

The deeds of the lands to the southward are all executed from Dollar to the Roman purchasers, and from him to Mr. Keen's Trustees.

If Roberts estate, will pay it towards lands deal this year, I think he will have it in his power to make you a payment this Winter.

I wish you had written me an answer about the Sale of Money, for should the Tender be taken off, it will sink in your hands. I urge you to take you so, and enforce it in my letter by him, which covers your Certificate.

Capt. Bray and his Clerk, are daily to bring in about submitting his Business with you to Arbitration — do give me some directions thereon.

My Case shall be made out, and sent to you, dear Sir,

Yours most truly,

[Signature]

J. H. [Handwritten]
W. Stephens
10th Jan 89