

supposed your friends very  
accommodating, I was sorry to  
hear of your indisposition.  
However I am sympathetic with  
you, as I am now quite sick,  
and must give this as a plea  
for the many faults you  
may find in this note, and  
also for my abrupt conclusion.

Your friend.

Virginia Stephenson

incommodious, by frequently  
having his apartments for my rooming  
with gentlemen, & com-  
pany of ladies, encompassing  
various terms, the important  
me seldom in the  
and I know you have heard  
answer to letter writing  
are great of my letter  
Doubtless you have heard  
Dorchester, Feb 28, 1779

over



acknowledging that Mother  
in perpetuity, has for once  
gotten the better of my judgement.

I reiterate what I before wrote,

You have not told me who made  
those remarks about me,

If it is to much trouble for  
you to impart the information,

I will, to use a trite saying,

"go on my own hook" & ascertain

the fact myself; my first  
attempt will be to inquire

of the girls, and learn which  
of them, had the honour

of fraternizing with you  
the streets of Chestertown, the  
morning before you left.

I wonder if the Mr John Leeds  
Barrill, of Kent county, mentioned

in the Sun, could be any  
relation of yours, if so give

my respects to him, & tell him  
I was pleased to see it, for the

sake of dear Chestertown, Can  
you not obtain a copy of

that speech so eloquent & chaste  
for me? If so you will oblige

me exceedingly. You are I have