

[Apr. 30, 1784]

Extract of Lett to W. Short. written from Annapolis

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proposed the mission to me. if I was

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Wm. Short

consider from the business, the necessity of such haste

I am also enabled to assure you I shall give you very little trouble.

you a first & full supply of cloathing will cost ^{you} an hundred guineas, & a considerably less sum will suffice annually afterwards.

proct expenses will be you know just what you please. I am assured that a servant carried from hence will be an expence in

cumbrance & the most useles animal in the world. to hire a valet therefore will add twelve from twelve to twenty four guinees a year to your expence. a few days or weeks will certainly decide whether I am to go, and should you conclude finally to be of the party let me know by the return of the first or second post, that I may be prepared to answer any other applications on the same subject.

still however consider this only as among possible events. Dr. Lee is appointed an Indian Comm^r.

which vacates his seat here. I had requested to a friend early in the winter your nomination to Congress. I should you be appointed & consp^d adj^d you had better do no

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