

you will bind both these Articles, the former credited and
 the latter changed in the Account - I shall be always
 ready to give an Account of my Stewardship when
 ever I am required to do so - Captain Irvine wrote
 to one of my Colleagues, as if the Iron was sold and
 the money improperly appropriated. This was
 such a letter as would have made Capt. Irvine
 look very foolish had it been laid before a
 Court of Justice - He has wished this letter returned,
 but I do not deem it prudent for him to have
 it - He upon inquiry finds he was wrong; but the
 keeping this letter may be a warning to him
 in future and make him more liberal in his
 opinions, and careful in his writings - I am perfectly
 easy in my mind what the world may say, or
 think of my conduct with respect to the misfires.
 I love the Cause, and will not injure it - I am
 aware reports may reach you which might
 cause suspicion, from the malicious and Probable,
 and more especially from false Brothers - The
 Enemies of the Cause have never proved one single
 improper Act of mine in the concerns of the
 misfires to this day - and I trust they never will -
 You will learn I am out of the magistracy again -
 Captain King can explain the Cause as he was
 on the spot - This will make some noise at
 Home with those in Authority - I am on
 good terms with the Governor, who has always
 been very attentive to me, for which I am