design, to form, a general repository, of value to Scholars & antiquarias, and which if not retained in some private Library, ought to be deposited in some public, & permanent literary institution.

During several of the last years, I have bestowed much time & attention in digesting & forming Lists of these documents and of my private manuscripts — my design [illegible] from being completed, from materials already in my possession. — The volumes which have been arranged, contain my hand writing on many of them, with manuscript notes. — I have ever considered most of them, as private & confidential documents, & I am willing to submit to a sufficient examination, by any men of honor, to verify the truth of these assertions.

I have a few Editions of costly & valuable Books, which are my own & property; — to deprive me of the temporary use of these books, seems to me cruel, useless & unnecessary, especially before it is legally ascertained that this great sacrifice is necessary to secure the Interests of the Bank, as a monied institution.

I feel that I ought not to request any of my friends to involve themselves, in the technicalities of the Law, to relive

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