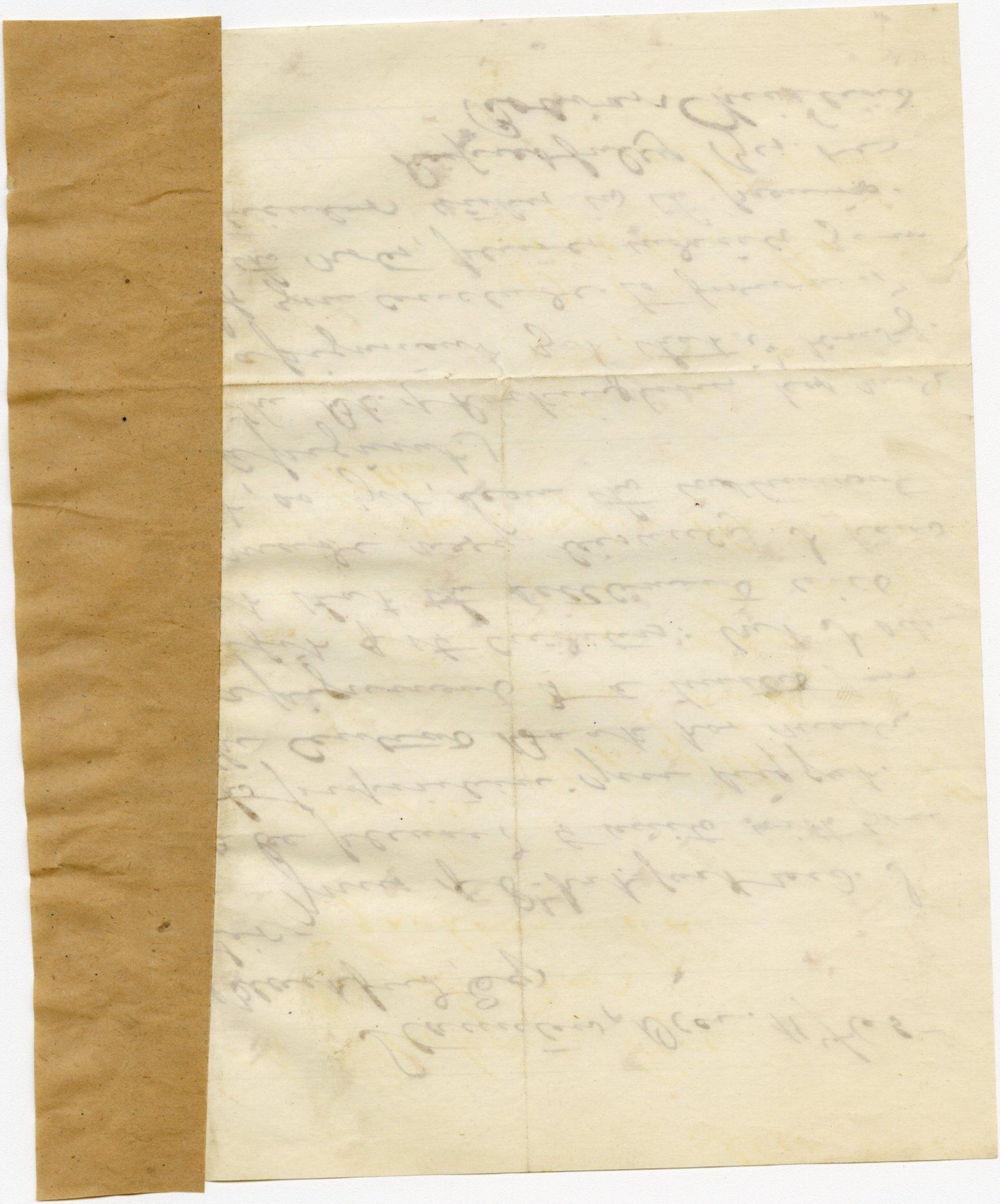

Richmond
Decr. 8th 1865.

Chas M. Blackford Esq.
Atty. at Law
Lynchburg Va.

Dear Sir:

Yrs. of the 30th ult. was duly received, and held for conference with me Wm Maury upon his return to the City - Send us the note, and we will bring suits, upon the terms mentioned in your letter:

Respectfully Yours.
Roger A. Maury
Atty

Baltimore Dec. 11. 1865

Dear Sir:

Just before the war, you obtained a number of judgments for me against persons in your neighbourhood & perhaps had claims upon which suits had not been initiated

Please let me know how they stand & what are the prospects —

Yr truly
Nelson Poe

C. W. Blackford Esq
Lynchburgh
Virginia

Baltimore, Decemb 2. 1865

Chas. M. Blackford. Esq
Lynchburg Va

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your favor of 28th ult, and in reply have to state that we have no claims in the Counties which you name, our debtors live principally in Nicholas, Braxton, Scott &c —

Should we find it necessary to place them in our attorneys hands, we may avail ourselves of your kind offer to place them for us.

Very Respectfully Yours
Brooks Fahnestock & Co

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M. S.

Cert: C. N. Blackford

Near Charlotte C.H.
Nov: 27th 1845

Dear Blackford -

I had intended
acknowledging on Saturday
the receipt of the Tobacco, which
is very good & relieved the mind
from the delay in its arrival &
the use of some in a different -
& your letter apprising me
of its having been sent -
but was precluded by some
of Larkin's family coming
to spend the day with us -
Last night I received your
of the 25th, & hasten to reply
I propose to go to Tardy, in
the early part of next week
for a few days, & expect to
practice regularly in the
Circuit Court beginning

with the next Term. I may be able therefore to render some assistance in the progress of the suit you mention, though unable, at present, to attend to its inception. I have no difficulty however, in advising you to commit it to the charge of my Father. He has grown back there, & is engaged in the practice of his profession with renewed energy & good health. The natural effects of advanced years, prevent his turning from one thing to another with the versatility of a younger man. But his faculties are unimpaired & his judgement as clear as ever & he is, by all odds, the best Chancery Lawyer at that bar, & the best accountant I know, & is thoroughly versed in all the law pertaining to the administration of estates. As I do not know the character of the case you have in view, I cannot write more particularly. But on the general ground, he is the only Lawyer there, whom unassisted, I should feel satisfied to have charge of an important case for myself. A good deal of this may naturally, & perhaps properly be ascribed to personal influences on my judgment. I do not think so however. & could give easily the reason that influences my opinion as to the other Lawyers. which is unnecessary here. Now

Balto Dec 9th 1865

Chas M Blackford Esq
Lynchburg. Campbell Co Va

Dear Sir

Will you please
inform us what the prospect is for a
dividend from the Assetts of L A & J Rinser
So that we the Parties doing Corr.
be able to Govn Selves

Yrs Respectfully

Winchester.
Dec. 8th 1865.

Chas. M. Blackford. Esq.
Lynchburg.

Dr Blackford.

I reached Winchester last night. Having been absent on the important mission of getting a wife You will doubtless consider my reason for not replying to your two letters sufficient.

There are two or three other claims against the estate of Rd. S. Hunter which I will send you if you think there is any probability of recovering them. I have written to the bankers to send them to me in regard to the notes of the Bank of the Valley. The Bank of the Valley like most of the other State Banks, will be con-

petted to go into liquidation. It is insolvent & its assets will be rateably distributed to its creditors & noteholders.

The Governor, in his message, recommends the passage of a law by the Legislature, covering the whole Bank question. It is probable the law will be passed at an early day & under the circumstances, I think suits against the Banks will be unavailing.

The Valley Bank paper is selling now for 33 cents on the dollar. It can be sold here more readily because there are many debts due the Banks which are being paid with its own notes.

The 'Bank of Winchester' will pay in the course of time nearly dollar for dollar.

If you desire the money sold I will attend to it for you without charge if you send the notes to me by Express.

You will be able to decide after the return of the Leg. whether suits will be advisable.

Regards to Mrs B. & family if he is in Lynchburg.

Yrs Truly

R W Hunter.

If you think a suit advisable I will undertake it on the terms you agree to with your client - dividing fees & commissions with you.

New-York, 9th Dec. 1865

Chas. M. Blackford Esq.
Attyat law
Lynchburg Va.

Dear Sir!

We received your valued favor of 6th inst. and tender you our sincere acknowledgement for the pains which you have taken in presenting to us so elaborate and lucid a report on the security offered us by Mr. John S. Longhorne.- As you may have foreseen we cannot now think of accepting the Major's proposition, which we write him to-day, merely stating that after investigation and mature reflection we regret not to be able to accept his offer.-

Please disabuse your mind of the impression that we think Mrs. Charles Scott's estate is only liable for one half of L & S's debt to us; on the contrary we know full well that both partners collectively and individually are responsible for the firm's indebtedness and in view of this fact we wished to use every effort to satisfy ourselves as to the value of the

mortgaged, before releasing Mrs Scott's estate on payment of one half of Lt S.'s debt, as proposed by Major Langhorne.—

We are Dear Sir

Respectfully Yours

Chas Lilling & Co

Norfolk

Decr. 9th 1865

Charles M. Blackford, Esq
Atty at Law.

My dear Sir.

An unusual pressure of business in this Court (We have just passed thro' a protracted term of the Cir. & Corpo. Courts) has necessarily delayed my reply to your letter: but, I am happy to say to you, after examining the Records of the U.S. Dist. Co. that no charges vs. Dr. L. W. Minor are preferred, and no proceedings in rem have been commenced. ~~after~~

With the kindest regards of Mrs. S & myself to Mrs. B. & yourself, I am

Yours truly Charles Sharp

Manchester Va Nov 29th 65

Mr Chales M. Blackford

I have been advised to send the Certificates which I hold on the Citizen Savings Bank to you for Collection or so as they may be attended to I hope you will do your best for me I am very much in need of the money and would be very glad to get it I send you them both hoping to hear from you soon and oblige a friend

Nannie F. Mitchell

C. M. Blackford

Richmond DEC 2 1865

C. M. Blackford Esq
Attorney at Law
Lynchburg
Virginia

Dear Sir

I have been favored with your name by Messrs. Johnston & Gregory of this place - and take the liberty of asking you to make particular private Enquiries into the condition of Mr F. A. Marshall a merchant doing business, grocery & liquor, in your town. I wish to know if the business is done in his own name, the probable amt of his stock on hand -

I also wish to know if your civil court in which suits for debt are carried on, is organised, and when it meets -

In case I proceed to prosecution of suit, I hope to retain you as attorney.

Of course I expect you to consider this strictly private & confidential -

Very Respectfully

L. Ferguson