

Sir
Clarendon Place 13 July 1836

I see with much surprise a statement respecting me in your paper of Friday last, which you say alluding to the new wharf, and the intended improvements at College Green that "it was very curious if the Lord Gentleman did not know ~~what~~ what was generally understood at the time, especially as he had some time before joined with other proprietors in applying to Government the right of so many feet along the River for that purpose

Give me leave to say, I was in total ignorance that such improvements were in contemplation, nor did the Governor in any communication with me let fall the slightest hint on the subject. This ignorance I believe common to the whole community. I have expressed it to several of my friends, and a regard for my Character for veracity calls on me to make this public statement

The Resignation of my Right of so many feet
along the Shore, you must know, was not
yielded from my knowledge of the intended
formation of the new Wharf, but in consequence
of a certain Vantage all along the Bay
to which I was obliged to accede, against
my own Will. I have the Honor to be

Your Humble Servant

R. Wood