

Dr Sir

There is now pending in the Senate a bill to form a Company to turnpike the Road from Fishkill to King's bridge. The great Utility of this measure must be obvious to every Person who has travelled that Road ~~through~~ ^{the} high lands and particularly the South eight miles the Road is extremely bad. Nor is it probable for the few Inhabitants to put it in any tolerable Repair, when they could not keep it so after it had been ~~worked~~ by the State Commissioners in the Year 1792. the Road from this southerly is capable of being made an excellent Road, ~~provided a Turnpike was established, without~~ with very few alterations, but unless a Company is formed ~~it will never~~ the Alteration cannot take place nor can there be a Bridge built over Croton River at the place now intended ~~being built to be built, which is a small &~~ nearly opposite to my Brother's dwelling House;

There has been opposition made to it but I am led to believe that opposition originated more through selfish Views than public good; Indeed some People in the Town of Mount Pleasant have who signed an Amourstrance against the Law notings have since ~~authorised me to write to Albany and say~~ that they very unadvisedly signed that Amourstrance ~~which they now are sorry & now wish that the Law may pass.~~ (Judge Bundy I have made acquainted with their names as he knows them) & I feel ~~very much interested in having a good Road, which~~ ~~cannot be effected unless by a Turnpike.~~ ~~from~~

must excuse the liberty I take in writing you upon the subject

The Interest I feel in having a good law & which cannot be effected without a Turnpike, much analogous to you for my troubling you upon the subject, ^{at the point} ~~that~~ I am well persuaded ~~that~~ from the influence you have in the Assembly, your advocating these things would ~~also~~ ^{very} ~~readily~~ ensure its ~~success~~ go a great lengths to ensure its success --



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