

Geekskill Feb: 16th ~ 1800 -

Brother

Enclosed I send you a Power of Attorney from Wm Butler to you to receive from the War Office of the United States, his warrant of Land the United States owes him for his services as a Soldier in the Revolutionary War - He wishes you to keep it after you receive it & let some know what you can sell ^{it} for at Philadelphia and if he likes the price, he will thank you to know how he must act or what writing he must send you to sell it for him -

I wrote you a few days since that I had seen John Williams the Shipman, and gave you my Opinion of him & his wife and the Character that Jonathan Odell and others gave me of him, and believe he would answer your purposes, if he could be had reasonable, but £80. is too much I suppose £50 or £60. might answer, I promised Williams to write him what you would give, if you choose to write him and get his answer, you can enclose the letter to Alpheus Garrison at Yonkers with a request that he will forward the letter to

Williams who lives at Tuckahoe near the
Methodist Church, it is about 5 miles from
Stouts Mills - -

Your Tax; that is, the Town Tax & the State Tax
amounts to 50 Dollars & 60 Cents. The Collector
Sands desired me to write you for it as he wants
to make return immediately to the County
Treasurer - - -

If you should conclude to take Williams and
that I should see him again you can only write
me and I will go ~~it~~ & agree with him agreeable
to your instructions -

I wish you to fill up a Bond or Transport Power
to take to the man who you want to cut your
Horse & he shall be sent there directly -

All Well & desire their Love -

Am yours sincerely

Deaf or Hands Luv

B.T. I see by the Governor that the good Federalists
are wishing to increase their pay to 8 Dollars -
pretty economy this; I suppose another loan of
8 per Cent can do this -

