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Notes: Cover letter for three accounting statements submitted to the Assembly; the House ordered 250 copies of each printed on November 16th; Swem lists all four elements separately, so then does this Index; in this letter, Burfoot recommended changes to the methods whereby county sheriffs were held accountable for collection of taxes and discussed additional taxes on professional activities as ways to enhance state revenues; copies of the entire submission in manuscript are available on microfilm at the Library of Virginia.

Long-time public printer, Samuel Pleasants, died six days before this session opened; the Assembly chose to continue employing his press for most of this session, granting his widow, Deborah W. L. Pleasants, her husband's formal title until January 1, 1815; thereafter, Thomas Ritchie, the printer to the Senate, assumed that larger role, with his protégé, Thomas Burling, taking on his old assignment; this division of labor meant that most of the session's printing was completed at the Argus Office, with Ritchie picking up the load with the start of the new year, just three weeks work; still, the daily House journal was issued from the Argus Office for the duration of the Assembly. This work distribution informs the attribution made here.

IVP Associated Names: Deborah W. L. Pleasants (328); Samuel M. Pleasants (332)

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