

Dear Sir

I have received Your two Favours of the 11.<sup>th</sup> & 14.<sup>th</sup> Inst. and Note the contents. Yours of the 11.<sup>th</sup> is concerning my subscribing for a share in the Turnpike Road, I will just relate to you what induc'd me to subscribe otherwise I should not have become one; I think it was on the Thursday of our Court my Brother John ask'd me whether I intended to become a Subscriber, when I answer'd in the negative, he then ask'd whether I would let him make use of my Name on his Acco<sup>t</sup>. which I agreed to. And on the Saturday following I rec<sup>d</sup>. yours of the 31.<sup>st</sup> Ult<sup>o</sup> requesting I would get one or more shares for you, of which I inform'd my Brother, who immediately relinquish'd his claim. For my part I had no Idea nor I believe had any one else here; that applications would be so numerous, and it was then expected permission would be given that Persons might subscribe as agents or attorneys for others. But on the evening preceeding the first day's subscribing a Number from Philad.<sup>a</sup> & Chester County arriv'd, which caus'd all conversations to be on the Subject of subscribing, when the Books were opening Gen<sup>l</sup> Hand mention'd that as the Philadelphians were allow'd to subscribe 600 shares they would allow none but those of Lanc<sup>r</sup> and its vicinity to subscribe neither would they allow any one to subscribe for another by Virtue of a power of Attorney, by which means each of the Subscribers was entitl'd to one share only, and the Chester County people had an equal chance with the Lancasterians, In the afternoon the Philadelphians were also permitted to subscribe for one share each, and the whole of the subscriptions would have been compleated the first day allowing each subscriber but one share. But by the Commissioners every now & then comparing the Names subscribed in one Book with the List of the Names taken down in another, and in the afternoon (as I am inform'd) nothing but silver Dollars would be receiv'd it caus'd so much delay that the hours for subscribing expir'd when the Books were shut up and I think only 257 shares were enter'd that Day. On the second day the remainder of the shares were compleated in a very short time, by admitting Letters of Attorney, I will not say partiality was shewn. But it was often asserted there was, those who had enter'd for one share the first day were intitl'd to subscribe for two the next, (if they had strength enough to force through the Croud and offer their Money and even there many fail'd) I almost forgot to mention that my Brother, ask'd me on the first day that in case the Books were not fill'd on that Day, I ~~should~~ would enter the next for him which I agreed to

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where, I with difficulty succeeded I believe but three or four shares remained after I entered.  
And as I never intended to subscribe for my own Account you are heartily welcome to the share  
I shall not keep it, therefore request you will take it, which if you decline I will part with  
it to any one else, which I declare shall be without receiving one Farthing as a Gratuity  
Mr. Turbit & self went to Harrisburg last Week he proceeded up the Juniata, he  
inform'd me he had also a share which was for you, we will both make transfer's  
whenever you direct.

On the 19<sup>th</sup> March last I forwarded to my Brother Adam two Letters of Attorney  
of the same Tenor as those I sent to you, together with two papers respecting my  
Certificate, but before they reach'd Philad<sup>a</sup>. Adam was taken ill, and the Letter  
which enclosed them came into my Brother John's Hands, who when he return'd  
here gave me the Letters of Attorney and inform'd me he left the two other papers  
with you. Inclosed <sup>are copies</sup> is a copy of them, when I forwarded them to Adam I took  
a copy of them in my Memorandum Book. The Original Certificate in John  
Van Pelts Name I sent to Adam in September last in order to Loan it who  
brought me the above Papers and told me that he would then have drawn the  
Interest but there was no Money. And it is very likely he receiv'd it when he  
went down in Sept<sup>r</sup> December. I have not ask'd him as I think it would not  
answer any purpose on Account of the defect of his Memory. I should be glad  
you would again examine whether you have not Tho. Smiths Rec<sup>d</sup>. it is underneath  
the Abstract which is on a half Sheet of Paper the Abstract was a printed one  
and the Blanks fill'd up.

M<sup>rs</sup>. Hubley, my Daughters Peggy & Nancy and my Fine little Son  
who is but two days Old, and my Self present our Compliments to You  
M<sup>r</sup>. Dickham & Family.

I am Sir

With Esteem Your most Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>.

Joseph Hubley

18<sup>th</sup> June 1792

Mr. George Dickham



Lancaster, 18<sup>th</sup> June 1792  
Joseph Hubley

On the strength of these letters  
produced to me by Mr. Beckham  
I intend to transfer the certificates  
within alluded to, to him, being  
satisfied that my Brother Joseph  
had received of Mr. Beckham  
the value of them in his lifetime  
but the transfer was neglected  
May 1808

I made the transfer to Mr.  
Beckham.

Shiladshiva

Mr George Beckham  
Merchant