

Green Level, 3 December 1788
Box 1, Folder 7,
Virginia Governors Executive Papers – Beverly Randolph
Wm. Helm letter
(This letter is torn and parts illegible)

Sir,

I received yours dated the 18 of December the 15 is not yet come to my hands my not knowing new laws & customs was at a loss how to proceed had I supposed you meant to take Col. Ewell's commission instead of his ____.

I would have shortened trial & ____ your most Honorable Board of the different troubles they have been at concer--- the dispute the reason my deposition did not reach you in time was this. I found myself at a loss how to proceed therefore was obligated to wait the motion of Col. Ewell who is but slow to see which of the charges he would endeavor to overset ____ he had made his feeble strok I then ____ it necessary to send down a few other depositions that might see the difference between smoothing a thing ____ plain fair thing. I feel myself a learned for fear of ____ premises one private enemy scares me more than a hundred public ones there is but few men who has arrived to his ____ of life let their conducts be what they ____ that has not accumulated some few friends. I felt myself injured by Col. Ewell & ____ to that most respectful ____ for ____ forth 5 charges 3 I hope I have supported the other 2 I do not think he will dispute if he does I can support one that that of ____ nephew by one hundred evidence his own abilities may be ____ if he will allow himself to be examined if I am mistaken. I most cheerfully acquiesce to your superior judgment ____ for ever remain your most obedient servant.

Wm. Helm

Green Level, Va., October 1st 1789
Box 2, Folder 12 Accession #40287
Governors Executive Papers – Beverly Randolph
William Helm letter

To his Excellency the Governor and the Honorable the Council of the State of Virginia

Sir,

Enclosed you will find my Commission with thanks for your compliment, though beg the favour that you will not appoint me to any publick post at all for it is my wish until I can reconcile myself to lie a partisan to keep as close of publick posts as possible it is true I have made a small stroke at one of our grand party but I will promise him if he will excuse me for it I will do so no more. I have heard an old proverb that honesty is the lest policy; but I can venture to say an honest man cannot always come at justice.

From your obedient servant

Wm. Helm – October 17th 1789

Copy of Commission enclosed

The Commonwealth of Virginia
To William Helm gentleman, Greetings:

Know you that from the special truth and confidence, which is reposed in your fidelity, courage, activity, and good conduct, our Lieutenant Governor (the Governor being absent, and having previously notified his intention of being absent to the Privy Council, and such intention having been entered on their Journals) upon the recommendation of the County Court of Prince William doth appoint you the said William Helm Captain in the Militia of the said County of Prince William to take rank as such from the 5th day of June 1787.

In testimony whereof these our letters are made patent. Witness the honorable BEVERLEY RANDOLPH, ESQUIRE, our said Lieutenant Governor, at Richmond, this 13th day of June 1787.

(Registered) T. Meriwether

(signed)

Beverly Randolph

Alexandria Gazette 8 Nov 1813

LAND FOR SALE – I wish to sell the farm on which I now reside called GREEN LEVEL. This farm situated on Cedar Run in the County of Prince William. It contains SIX HUNDRED ACRES, a great proportion of which is Cedar Run bottom, inferior to very few tracts in this state for fertility. About 50 acres of bottom is well adapted, as experience has proved, for the production of timothy, wheat, rye, or corn are produced in great abundance on the higher parts of the farm – there is a very sufficient portion of wood land to support the farm in good rail & board timber, and fire wood. The surrounding neighborhood is inferior to none in point of genteel society. In short the situation of this farm is such that in point of society, celebrity of air purity and plenty of water it cannot be excelled. In addition to which its near vicinity to good markets, must render it a desirable acquisitions for the industrious argiculturalist, Its distance 15 miles from Dumfries, 36 from Alexandria, 26 from Fredericksburg and Falmouth, and 42 from the City of Washington. On the farm there is a large dwelling house, four rooms, and a passage on the first floor, with the same on the second, and a cellar under the whole kitchen, & other out houses. Any farther description is deemed useless as it is presumed the persons wishing to purchase will view the premises, which will be shown, and terms of the sale made known by

Edward D. Fitzhugh
October 28, 1813

Alexandria Gazette 16 June 1847

GREEN LEVEL FOR SALE – The fine farm, in the county of Prince William, Virginia, situated about 36 miles from Alexandria, 25 from Falmouth, and 20 from Occoquan and containing about 700 acres is offered for sale at a very reasonable price. The undersigned, wishing to settle in Kentucky, will dispose of this estate on such terms as to make it an inducement to those desiring such a residence to make an investment. It is well wooded and watered, divided into six fields, and will soon be in seven. The most of it is in a good state of improvement, well adapted to grasses of almost every kind, and not less so to corn, wheat and oats, a part of it is now in clover, and the balance will be seeded in clover, timothy, and Kentucky blue grass. As a grazing farm, it offers inducements possessed by few farms south of the Blue Ridge. For a sheep walk, the Virginia blue grass, of which there is a good supply, furnishes the best and most permanent pasturage. The House is large and convenient. The out houses are in good order and the enclosures new. The house is well furnished, mostly new, all of which, together with the Stock and Farming implements will be sold on fair terms, if the purchaser desires it. My Post Office is Brentsville, Prince William County, Va., and it will give me pleasure to answer any enquires desirable to have answered, or to show the premises to anyone wishing to see and examine for himself. If an early sale is affected, possession of the land will be given in time to seed wheat.

William T. French
Prince William County