

Dear Sir,

Alexandria 30<sup>th</sup> July 1801.

Enclosed you will receive  
an estimate of the taxes formerly imposed by  
the Commonwealth of Virginia, on that part  
of the District of Columbia included within the  
County of Alexandria, the statement is procured  
from the Clerk of our Court who I supposed  
possessed the best information on the subject,

I must beg your permission to return  
half the money sent me for the horse netting,  
as I shall then have retained the full  
value of them in their present situation,  
wishing you an agreeable journey, I am

with great respect

D<sup>r</sup> Sir, Yr. Obedt<sup>n</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Francis Peyton

Peyton Francis. Alex. July 30. 1801

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