

Dear Sir,

Alexandria Nov: 22^o 1806.

I put your letter to Mr Lewis in the Post Office
the evening I got here, but owing to the Crisis ~~in~~ which the Members
of Congress were attending it did not get to his hands until
Monday or Tuesday, He came ^{here} to day to see me on the subject
of it and I believe very much distressed. He said that he had
no means of getting a Negotiable Note at such short notice,
as it was not in his power to see Mr Henry Turner from whom
he is to get the money & through whose means it is possible ^{it} might
have been had if such a thing was insisted on. That Mr Turner
who is to receive a large sum of money the first of December
had engaged to him that he certainly should have as much
as would pay off the sum he owes you. He further said
that he had spoken to Mr Thomas Turner who is also to receive
a large sum this fall, to know if from any unforeseen cause
Mr H. Turner should disappoint him whether he could depend
on him for it & that this gentleman assured him that if
such a thing should happen he would let him have the
money. I really never saw a man more distressed than he
seemed to be, he declared that he had rather receive a ball
through his head than that the property should be sold out
for sale. As both the Mr. Turners are to receive large sums
this fall I think there is but little risk in relying on getting
the money & perhaps it may be imprudent to advertise the
property. I suppose the property will not be discharged as a
security for the debt, but if there should be a failure in the
payment I do not know whether the Court could direct a sale
at a future day or whether a new suit would be necessary,
but be this as it may when there is such strong assurance
and I think a good chance of getting the money, it will appear
to the world a cruelty in exposing the property to sale,
under these circumstances I should myself wish the payment

It is certainly disagreeable to be in a doubtful situation, but I think good policy dictates the propriety of forbearing with him, these are critical times & nobody can foresee what is before us.

Mr. Hanely's order on the bank cannot be accepted off without a certificate from the Clerk of London that she has administered on her husband's estate.

Would you would direct Mr. Deeg to send my letters to me here if any should come to his office, except you are sure they are such as may not be useful to me at this place, I expect one from Mr. Holton which may be directed there. I have hopes that our difficulties about the road will lessen. We obtained Judgmentth yesterday in Traifac Court against several obligors who depended on getting off by perjury their shares & understand many will hold their payments until this question was decided. I have gone on but slowly yet in settling the Court. Traifac Court has kept back the most fractious people who were wanting.

I have engaged to the Butcher here six or seven Beavers to be delivered early ~~on~~ on Sunday week, I wish ^{you} to speak to Mr. Rhodes to let his brother know that his beavers are to make apart with one at Bullfield and the two road Oxen that I have been feeding at home. Mr. Rhodes generally goes up on Saturdays in the evening when he can converse with his brother how they are to come down, Gabriel can come as one of the drivers & I suppose two persons may manage the whips after they are little distance from home. I wish them to be down at the time & above to Mr. Nickiter's who will let them into one of his lots. I made a note in the Margin of my almanack against the day of the month than I began to feed these beavers - I wish you would examine it & let me know the time.

Y^rs Affec^tdly

Levon Powel

Not though was here with your note but did nothing with it. This was destroyed & I was brought in front in your place - which I do not like, I have made the same resolution my self that it shall be the last of the kind that I engage in

Aug 17th Rhodes 29th

L.P. 1804 Nov

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