

D. Sir -

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M<sup>r</sup>. Ash was here yesterday and informs me that it is not in his power to bring us any Hogs for want of Money - and that as there was a great many now in Baltimore & many coming on - he thought it best to come and let us know - He also mentioned to me in confidence, that he believed from what he had heard Capt. Phillips say in Baltimore - we should not get any Hogs from M<sup>r</sup>. Van Matre - Capt. Phillips said he had heard from a Man just arrived in Balt. - from the State of Ohio & who had passed the Drive of Hogs Designed for us - which he says can't be done under 3 weeks - that M<sup>r</sup>. Van Matre was coming on with another Drive for Capt. Phillips - but that he would have both Drives - even if he sent a Man on the road to take possession of the Drive intended for us - for that he had a firm contract with M<sup>r</sup>. Van Matre - binding him to deliver all the Hogs he should drive from the State of Ohio - to S<sup>r</sup>. Phillips in Balt. Town - & that he talked of writing to me - informing of his Contract & that it was likely we should not get the Hogs as expected - Is it worth while to take notice of this information - or wait longer in hopes of hearing from M<sup>r</sup>. Propeck - Consult with M<sup>r</sup>. P. in my opinion on this & let me hear -

I have sent on two Letters lately to meet M<sup>r</sup>. Propeck on the road - urging him to come on with the Hogs as fast as possible & to write to me from time to time - that I may send a Man to conduct him from Carrolls Manor - The Death of M<sup>rs</sup>. Maynadies's Mother - which took place on Yest<sup>r</sup> will confine me at Home until after Tuesday - I shall try to see you afterwards -

M<sup>r</sup>. Ash. says some Drives of Hogs  
have sold in Balt. for \$5.75 & 6.00. } Y<sup>r</sup>s respectfully  
A. Maynadies