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Mr Samuel Galloway

Sir

I received your letter containing an advertisement for renting Mr Pumbertons plantation, which should have been immediately published, if on considering and showing it to Mr Pleasants and another person of judgement, we had thought it fully sufficient for the purpose intended.

By putting it in our papers it seems she has some expectation of a tenant, from this State; if so we think it necessary that those qualities which well recommend it to a prime farmer should be mentioned that the term for which it will be leased should be fixed, something near the rent expected known, and that some person here should be mentioned to whom application could be made for further information, for we conceive that few farmers would take the trouble of going to view it without first knowing what probability there should be of its suiting them, and to obtain such information by writing letters would take up much time, and might not be so satisfactory. Mr Pleasants C. Jones and myself have some knowledge of the place and will chearfully undertake to give what assistance we can in this business. Caleb Cannaby would in other respects be the most suitable to name in the advertisement.

Under these circumstances I have taken the liberty of annexing a rough draught of an advertisement for your consideration and amendment any such further terms as are not necessary to be published you may communicate by letter. The place being very valuable, and Mr Pumberton likely to be here will make the choice of a tenant of consequence importance and no pains should be spared to endeavour to get such a one.

I am sorry to hear of Mrs Pumbertons very poor state of health, and am

Sir Your most obt Servt

John Wilson