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Mr. James Christy
now at
Mr. T. Nicholson Baltimore

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Dear Sir

Knowing you intended to Baltimore as yesterday I write with an expectation of this Letter meeting you there — When I arrived at Rock Hall I met an express going to Annapolis to let me know that Sammy Ringgold was very ill — He was taken on Tuesday last with a fever and a lax. the fever not very high but the lax very bad which continued to ten till Saturday night when it abated or from the violence of it he must have yielded to it long before this time, upon the laxi being better the fever increased a little tho' it has never been very high — the Doctors say it is a nervious fever and apprehend him to be in very great danger — they have not been able to bring on the least degree of perspiration and they are fearfull to make use of any very forcible medicine for that purpose from the weak and inflame state of his bowels — his head is much affected and has been so from his first being taken ill — he was blistered