Philadelphia 13th April 1829

Dear Sir

In answer to your letter requesting information respecting the rent of the Walnut St. House — late of Ch. J. Ellsworth, I beg leave to state that I have received one year's rent — and expect to receive two quarter's rent in addition in May next — This rent (subject to a deduction for taxes, repairs & the incidental expences in relation to the Entire Estate) I am desirous of distributing among those legally entitled — Mr. Chew, having shewn, some time since, prohibited me from paying portions of the rent to Jarvis who was desirous of receiving them saying that the whole would be swallowed up in his claim in all probability, I on this occasion, called upon him & read your letter — & requested, as a particular favour that he would withdraw his prohibition so far as respected your wards — But he positively declined — I then requested that he would write me a letter on the subject, for my justification — as it was extremely painful to my feelings to be compelled to decline the payment of such small sums. — He accordingly wrote me a letter — a copy of which I now send you — It is as follows viz —

Edwd. C. Biddle Esq.
No. 3 Spruce St.

Philadelphia
April 13th 1829

P.S. Mr. Ellsworth
Brothers Executrix
Rent Walnut St.
Received