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Dr Sir

Germantown near Philadelphia
Sunday Evg 21^o Aug 1831

I have this day had sent to me from the City your Letter dated on the 14th but mailed at Centreville on the 18th enclosing two Bank Notes of fifty dollars each say in Amount One Hundred Dollars to be applied in part payment of the Interest due on your Debt, and enclosing also a Letter from Mr S. M. Grayson of Matchez directed to you which as you desire I will retain ^{until I see you on your coming to Philad} in my possession or under your further instruction will deliver to your Son

I very much lament both on your own Account and on Account of the Ladies who were to have profitted by your promised payment looked for last Month, that you should have been disappointed of the Funds on which you relied, and also lament at the grievous Report you give of your own and your Neighbours Harvesting

My present object in writing to you, being in haste to embrace an opportunity of sending this by a Gentleman to the Philad Post Office, is promptly to inform you of the safe arrival of your Letter with its contents as soon as it came to my hands - I am led to do this, lest from the date of your Letter you might be uneasy about its safety if I should not early acknowledge its receipt - I must refer to another occasion any observations that may arise after my communication with the Parties interested in the result - In the mean time accept my best wishes for your Welfare and remaining

respectfully

Your Friend & Serv^t

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