Baltimore July 23rd 1836

Dear Father

Since I last wrote to you I have been making arrangements for raising the money that I expected to have borrowed from my friend Williams but as yet have been disappointed; I applied a day or two since to Messrs Ennis & Stevens for the loan of their note at four months assuming them you would pay the note when it became due, but on consideration they begged me to excuse them, fearing that the fact of their name being on too much paper might injure their credit. To day I made application to another firm to whom I have frequently lent money, but they being agents for a manufacturing Company in Mass are prohibited by agreement from endorsing or lending notes; they suggested my drawing on you for the amt assuring me that on your acceptance a negociation might easily be effected, as they have heretofore transacted business similarly. I mention this because there are no others here engaged in business upon whom I could call except those to whom I am owing something, or who hold my notes; some of which will soon become due. I would not have you understand by this that there are are not persons from whom I could at almost any other time obtain assistance, far from it, but they now hold my notes and of course I feel a delicacy in troubling them.

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23 Feb 1836
Rec'd of Chesapeake Bank
$20.76 to their fee
for collecting
$20.76 - Recd
Philip Dorsey
Mechanics - Farmers Bank $20.00.
Col John Gilmanson
Cambridge