Chester Town March 31st 1843

Dr Sir

Your letter of the 4th Inst was received on the 22nd and I would have answered it immediately, but for an unusually severe attack of Rheumatism, which confined me to my bed for several days - I repeatedly sent to the Post office for letters, and was always disappointed & on wednesday 22nd on third application on the same day obtained yours - containing the draft - my note in the Easton Bank was payable yesterday & I was exceedingly anxious about it when I rec'd your letter, which has afforded me considerable relief - and, now tender you my most sincere thanks for your successful efforts in obtaining this sum which came at a time of great need, and be assured Sir, I do not think hardly of your not making me a larger pay't; I know I am only entitled to my dividend, and only made the request, hoping that some one of the claimants, could make it convenient to wait until the Sale for a portion of the balance due them, and if this request was unreasonable I must hope, when they reflect upon my present situation, that they will have the goodness to excuse me - my health is very uncertain, which makes me doubly anxious, (perhaps too much so) to furnish a home for my dear Children, since the loss of our Father, we have been unavoidably —

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Wm Hanna Jr
31st March 1843
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Dr Sir
Yours
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