

Mount Hope March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Dr Sir

I received yours of the 20<sup>th</sup> of Feb<sup>y</sup>. and also the one some time previous, and confess that I have to regret that I am always behind, but I will try (thoroly) to repair the damage, I should have answered the first but was trying to amount of your list, to send on when I wrote My duty in the upper District has been confined all the winter and the one in the Lower District has also been very sick through the fall and fore part of the winter, the top of crops has rendered it almost impossible to collect money, I have money due me on my own account, and the care of the person who owes me is now sent to Battinon, On the arrival of the vessel you shall be sure of your money.

Respectfully Yours  
Russell