a Catholic, which when I learned that I visited him a second time, and told him there is a catholic church in africa — that seemed to operate upon him more than all I told him beside, I told him likewise that Bishop Eccleston had sent circulars to all the priest in the lower counties, encouraging the people to emmigrate — so it will depend entirely on the advise the priest gives him — I told you that money is scarce — a many have not a five dollar note if it would save their life yet I believe most of them will pay — they have not got their tobacco to the market as yet but numbers have promised to call at the office when they come to town & pay — I have obtained 147 in cash & 7 dollars in drafts — but I have a number to see on my return up both counties — however I shall do whatever I can in both branches

I Remain &c &c
yours respectfully
John M Roberts

If it is necessary you can write to me at Friendship — but the post masters are so ignorant & unlearned that they cannot read your hand writing

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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