Westminster May 22nd 1838

Dear Sir

I have been giving my attention to the matters submitted by you to my consideration.

The owner of land finding stock or cattle trespassing upon it may drive them into any inclosure on his own premises or other place of safe keeping in the County, but after doing this which the law calls impounding he cannot sue for damages. The Captor (as you term him) must hold on to the property distrained until the owner pays him such damages as the Captor thinks himself entitled to receive. If the person distraining asks more damages than the owner of the cattle thinks he ought to pay, the owner must replevy them — If the cattle are put in a stable or pound covert as the law calls it the person impounding is obliged to supply them with food — But if in an

I hope Sir, that you have suffered no inconvenience for the delay of this letter. Some of the questions propounded & you required an investigation, and owing to my necessary absence last week, I have not been able to get you an earlier communication —

Very respectfully
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