that I had found a place for my settlement, that I had enquired & found people unwilling to part with their farms on your Screens, Requisite Campbell to get Mr. Dixons Certificate 35 years from 13 July &c. —

26 July

D. Scott
Annapolis

That I had got safe here on the 20. I was getting fixed as well as possible — That Mr. Reid, Mr. McMillan & I had examined for a situation that was found most eligible. At present was now occupied by Lettouse, Lathrop & Fanny Pearson who did not reside on the Premises of course the Lands were gradually out of repair — Mr. Reid has not since had an opportunity of enquiring at Mr. Scott's about to Pearsons house, he will however take the first that yes. If you approve of giving me a title to the Portion pointed out as soon as I can qualify to hold it, Mr. Reid is of opinion that previously a Survey should be made perhaps the whole should be surveyed in order to ascertain the Boundary. In the mean time when convenient perhaps you will write Mr. Reid on the subject — That I would let my money lye when it was till something advantageous offered — I had a visit from Mr. Scott who was uncommonly civil & in fact Promised to supply mainly all my wants &c

27 July 1810

Capt. Balfour

Yesterday I was fair with you of the 6th inst. I pointed out to you my reasons why I considered the Lots to the Road I mentioned as most eligible as suitable for my present company, as the sea was very near I gave them a preference for my Settlement. I believe that you think it may be wise to grant me a Lease of 200 Acres. Rather you mean to desire me, if that be agreeable to you. I cannot at present see an objection however I shall make you a visit on the first going to School when we can better discuss the subject — Previous to Hartley's going I should wish to be informed what Boards he will require in order that I may provide such as I have not, on this subject you can Instruct Fayard who was more upon the spot & he has learned a little English, a little Latin, & a little Sense, I daresay likely to become a Farmer. Instead bringing him to you I see 6 or 7 days hence perhaps would be more convenient. Fayard can bring back with him, however as he is young I wish him to be with me as much as possible — Mr. Reid has seen Mr. Scott. Upon what I can learn it appears that in May he granted a Lease of the Land to Pearson now holds for 7 years, to expire at the end of 3 years & upwards from the 25 May last. Mr. Scott promised that at the Lease of the 3 years was expired at the end, this being the case with my Brother, that part adjoining Jones will be at your disposal. Reasonable terms of rent I have some doubts, however that can be fixed — I am &c to find that Mr. Pearson is very agreeable to you &c —