Dear Sir. Annapolis May 12th - 1817 —

I have to acknowledge the receipt of two Letters - one by Miss Minnie and the other since by Mail, containing a draft on the Bank of Frederick Town, for $ 366 = 20 - on acct. of Mrs. Scott's semiannual payment of $ 350 = 00 and also for $ 40 = 00 Due me — $ 1 = 06 - being over paid by you in Oct. last - leaves the balance in my favor of $ 21 = 94 - as you have stated —

I am sorry it so happened that I had not the pleasure of seeing you at Mr. Rys - I was in a hurry to get Home to see my Corn planted — I was in hopes, the old story of Mr. T. Rys. having a claim to your Lands, had been forgotten — I trust the opinion you have lately obtained from Mr. Tony - with the Testimonial of writing from Mr. Ry himself, renouncing, and declaring that he has no claim or Title to any of the Lands devised to you under the Will of the late Dr. M. Scott, will be sufficient to quiet the doubts of any who may be disposed to purchase —

I have looked again and again every where but cannot find the Letter you mention, from Mr. T. M. Ry. to Dr. Scott - nor did I ever see such a Letter among the Papers - there still remains a few papers in the Bookcase at Belvoir - and 'tis possible it may be there - I will ride up soon and examine — if not there

Annapolis 12 May 1817
Recd. Magnd.

C. Minnie Esquire
near
Tomy Town Md.

10 Cents
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