Dear Father

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I received your letter of the 9 inst, in which you say it was for $400 Sold Lewis but it was for $450 I could have gotten $550 for him, if I had sold him for a sound man, but that I could not do; & men bought as runaways out of jails do not bring so much as other ones. I send enclosed $31 thirty one Dollars which I cannot pass at par even W & D could not take one of them, because they are not paying off wagoners. Sam & Ellen both write & I believe intend sending up some shirts either by J Smith or Mr Forney, I do not know whether I shall be ready to leave school this quarter or not for Mr Murray says Greek is of very considerable use, & I am not so forward at it as Latin, however I am & shall be very industrious I had a letter from my Mother to day, who says I had better get my clothes made here which I will do. I have been out Surveying & am going out to Mr Thomsons on Saturday to survey his farm. Mr Grimshaws is gone to Havre de Grace, as a tutor & likes his place very well. There is not the least

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