to your wish. I gave the guinea as you will see to Jno Maxwells funeral, he died of the fever before your letter came to hand, That malady is much abated for a considerable time past, but great numbers were carried off by it during the winter, and spring, We have had some very warm weather here this summer, and latterly fine moderate

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showery weather, so that there is the appearance of very abundant crops. Business of all kinds stirring a little better, and provisions very plenty and coming down daily, for particulars of which I refer you to the Chronicle enclosed. We are all well and living for the summer at the Wood, which is now in complete order and the new road open over the Lagan, which is more pleasant.

Believe me with most sincere affection to you and your family

If possible I shall give you a sketch of Paddy O. Rourke in my next

Yours truly
Wm Napier

Belfast July 22nd 1818

My Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your favour of 23rd March and observe its contents, and to be candid in reply, I must confess that I did not forward your account current, agreeably to my former promise, and as I knew you would expect it I do assure you it has given me a great deal of uneasiness of mind, but the reason, why it was not then sent, was simply this, I still waited in earnest expectation of getting some settlement made with the assignees of Phelps, before I would send it, as I thought it would be more satisfactory both for you and me, but as this was a long pending and difficult case, while I was anxiously employed about it, the Vessel alluded to in my letter sailed for Baltimore and left me still in suspense, and my vexation about the matter altogether was such, that I took the most unsatisfactory way for you, which was not to write, till I had it determined either one way or other but I hope you will forgive me for this seeming neglect as you know I am a little peevish some times, when I cannot get things to my mind but I assure you I am not so much so now as formerly and in this business of Phelps which went so much out of the usual course, I have persevered with all my skill and ability and I have now the pleasure to say that with some assistance from our mutual friend, John Barnett, I have at last got it brought to a favourable issue, and I shall not at present enter into the particulars but only to say, that the opinion of Counsel was against us, and had it not been through particular interest made with the Law Agents to the estate, and also at the last being favoured by Dennis Caulfield, the first assignee both of which parties I brought over to my