August 1st 1820

Dear Margaret

I have just seen a letter from Ellen to H giving her a description of your parade on last Sunday it was really very amusing, the following Wednesday Mr Johns was ordained & the Saturday following Miss M V A Potts delivered a flag to the Guard of this city Mr Johns ordination was certainly a very solemn sight tho the solemnity did not arise so much from the ceremony as the nature of the questions & the promptness & decision with which he answered them tended to inspire one with the bishops sermon preaching of the duties & deportment of a priest were very tight indeed Mr Clay in the evening preached took as his text "Barnabas was a good man" Mr Johns text sermon was on the futility of human elevation & in the evening made a most pathetic call on us to pray for him that he might be enabled to fulfill the duties of his situation properly drew himself as the intercessor between

Miss Bernie
near
Thos Ohio

FREDERICK
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The Revd Mr Bishop
Christ Church
Georgetown
Washington City

Mr Birnie

you will confer a favour if you will let me have a horse that I can haul out about 30 bundles of flax if you have an idle one, my horse is gone to Baltimore yours &c

August 3d 1820

Michael Stover

Dr Sir

Pipe Creek 1st August 1820

I am sorry it is not in my power at the present time to give Mr White the employment he is seeking and take the liberty of sending him over and of recommending him to you because he informs me that he is very well acquainted with that kind of labouring ~~kind~~ work Mr Reid so lately told me you wanted done & I hope you will be pleased with him on a fair trial. ~~you will~~ he appears to be steady and intelligent with a good share of good health and strength and from the short acquaintance I have of him am greatly prepossessed in his favour & really feel sorry the times will not permit me or enable me to engage him in work — We are all very well Betsy desires her love to Mrs Birnie & all the younger ones of the family — Yours sincerely John Scott