orders to get them I would have them cast for you, and I think you had better have about half a dozen set of Sole & Side Plates cast if you think proper, as they are good to have beside you,

I was sorry to hear that one of the Shares that you got broke so soon if their was any deficiency in it it was intirely unknown to us ——

Dear Sir about the time I left the County and came to town I would have been very happy to have come out and settled beside you, but as my means were run out and finding I would not be able to establish my self I therefore gave up the thoughts of it untill a future period but on account of the following reasons I have given up all thoughts of it, as the health of myself & Family must be the greatest object of my attention, it is now 12 months at this time since my wife & I were taken sick and has been so ever since and as their is no prospect of us regaining our health hence, I have therefore resolved to go home to Shetland, as it will be the most probable remedy to remove our troubles, I assure you Sir the time of our sickness has been hard with us as I have only been able out of 12 months to work two which has reduced me, I have been borrowing money for more than three months to support my Family, if therefore you will be so kind as to send or give me an order on Mr Harbison for the money for the two Ploughs which are now in Mr Harbisons Possession, you would oblige & relieve one who is absolutely in Distress the Price is of your own making which is 16 Dollars each both of them amounts to 32 Dolls — I shall have to borrow as much as will carry me home Please answer this by return of Post as I want to go the first opertunity,

Mr M Farlane was looking at some Straw cutters as he said you was wanting one I suppose he wrote you about Ratskeys which I do think would please you, it is the best I have ever seen the Price then was 60 to 65 Dolls but I think you might purchase one for 45 or 50 Dolls and in my opinion it would be cheaper than any other I have seen though purchased as low as 50 this machine can be made to cut the Straw one quarter of an Inch long No more

Yours truly John Stewart