Fails Hill 23 March 1826
Dr. Hall

Clot. Birney Esqr.

To
B. Keene, } Bare Branch

Dr. Sir

Fails Hill 23d. March 1826

The Bearer Barney Keane has lived with me, he is Sober & Industrious, understands Farming, Gearing &c, if you have use for such a man I can recommend him

I have got one of Sinclares new Patent ploughs & am Delighted with its operation, all here Join me in Respects & best wishes to the Family of Bare Branch - respectfully yrs

Mo. Fails

Posting such things and Mr. Keen will bring them carefully. We had a few Days of Winter here, but I think it is now over - please present my best respects to Mrs. Birnie and all the Ladies. many health & happiness attend you & them

is the wish of your ever Sincere

Jas. Scanlan

Gettysburg 22d. Mar 1826

Cl. Birnie Esqr

I have opened this to say I left two Histories of England in Baltimore for Inspection one of which I got from a Gentleman in the Isle of Man; it will fall in after the one I had, and is approved of. I intend republishing it. and trust to make more by doing so, than any other business. I must get a Prospectus and set about getting Subscribers immediately, expecting your Output. I remain

Yours very Truly

Jas. Scanlan

C. Birnie Esq. / Bear Branch

Dear Sir -

Annapolis March 8th - 1826 -

As I understand our Legislature mean to rise tomorrow - I take the opportunity by Mr. McElhenny to say that I hope to see you either in Tanny Town or at your own House early in April - when I hope to bring you some Money received here for your Rents - Mrs. Edwards informs me - she is afraid that she shall be obliged to give up your House - as her School seems to be declining and unless she has that means of supporting her Family. will have to leave this Place -

I did not answer your last Letter respecting the proposition in regard to Mrs. Scotts affairs - as about that time Mrs. Maynadier was writing to Mrs. Scott - whom I requested to state, my doubts as to Mr. Upton Bruce being at liberty to relinquish his Trust to any one - unless by some proceeding in the Chancery

C. Birnie Esq. / Bear Branch
Favd. by Mr. McElhenny

Annapolis March 8th 1826
Barney Keane