Dear Sir

Fred.k July 13th 1827

I rec.d yr two letters in due time. very pressing engagements have prevented me from replying to you sooner. there has been no meeting of the Society since the Cattle show the President expressed it as his opinion that the 2nd premium for Bulls should remain as the Committee left it (not awarded to any). I have been able to attend but little to the premiums on fencing but think that there is no doubt about succeeding. yr proposition about enhancing money I think very good. It is proposed by Major Hughes to establish a permanent fund say from one or two hundred will give each $5. 10 or $20 each. I wd establish the Society & with the annual subscription now given of $1 — enable it to give respectable premiums. & no doubt the Legislature wd give a sum and New York gives to each of her Counties the sum which is raised for premiums. shd our Legislature do so it wd add much to our consequence Mr C Carroll of Carrollton I understand wd give through our Society a premium of $20 in plate for the best Cultivator

To
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Vice President of the
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Agricultural Society
Jerry Town

Fred.k City
July 13 1827
J. T. Mannix

Dear Father

July 18th 1827

I wrote you the day after I saw you stating that yr sheep was at Maj.r Thos Sappingtons farm near Liberty he shore it & sent the fleece. My letter having been forwarded via Uniontown I did not know whether it had been rec.d or not. I also wish Pat Downs Book to be sent whenever with —
I wish you would see Col Gist & obtain an order from him to strike off the suit entered for his use against you Fleming & Mr Daily & I would wish very much if your interest in yr opinion would not be wounded that you would withdraw the petition to come in under the decree as a creditor. My wish for you to do so proceeds from a belief that if you succeed you can get nothing the amt of debt against the Co being so great. And in the

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