Dear Sir Liberty Town Oct. 6th – 1827

Untill to Day I thought it would be in my power to give you a call before I left the County – but I find myself not very well & must decline taking so long a ride –

I send from Mrs. Maynadier for Miss M. Birnie with our best respects – some Silk Worm eggs & White Mulberry seed – which is much mixed with dirt – it being scraped up from under the Trees, but 'tis thought it will grow if sown in rich earth at this season – With regard to the remarks contained in your Letter – received some weeks past – it seems difficult to conjecture whether Annapolis will improve – or remain stationary – however – as property is held in so little estimation there at present – perhaps the prudent course will be, to let your House wait for a purchaser, untill after the coming Session of the Assembly – something may turn up in the improvement line – to encrease the value of property

C. Birnie Esq.
Annapolis
Mary land
Near Bonnet –

Liberty Town Oct. 7th 1827
Free my Dear Sir

Vineyard near George Town D.C. Oct. 6th 1827

Mr. C. Birnie

Sir

Your favour of the 10th ult. was found in the George Town Post office – And I am very sorry for the bad success you have met with in your first essay in planting vines. But I cannot help thinking there has been some bad management in the planting or taking care of them after being planted – The soil, the weeds, or perhaps working of them – I had one about 600 killed out of about 2000 ~~vines~~ by working them improperly while I was at the Baltimore cattle show about six years ago – Instead of hilling them they moved the earth about four inches lower than it had been ~~about them~~ and the weather being very warm ~~the bud~~ were killed where they had grown out ~~some two~~ or four inches –

My accounts from various persons is very contradictory, Some inform me nearly all grew

Mr. C. Birnie
Tony Town
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near
per mail
Maryland

Georgetown Oct. 7th 1827
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