Ballymartin April the 6th 1830

Dear Sir I hope you will forgive me for taking the liberty of writing to you the reason why I make so free as to trouble you with these few lines is to inquire of you if my yongest son Jenny Reid had the honour of stopping at your place he sailed from Belfast for Baltimore on the 7th of June last and we have got no intelligence from him since neither by a letter from himself nor any word in any persons from the neighbourhood; When he left us I gave him the best directions I could how he would find you and he promised to find you out if he could and be obliged to you for your advice and kind counsel how he should conduct himself in a strange country far from those kind parents whose care would always be to guide and counsel him now Sir if you would be so kind as to write to me as soon as this reaches y and let me know if he has called with you or not if you could get

Mr Clatworthy Birney
~~Annapolis~~ P.O.
~~care of Dr White~~
~~Bear Branch~~
~~Calvert~~ Fancy Lane
State of Maryland
America

Ballymartin Ireland
June Reid

Whitecreek April 14th 1830

Mr C. Birnie

Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 23d of March last I had the pleasure of receiving and take an early opportunity of complying with your request to inform of the prices of my sheep, how far I live from New York & of the most convenient mode of traveling to this place. — The prices I now ask for my Rams vary according to quality; the evarage price, however, is about $50 a piece. I have sold some much higher & some I have sold lower this season. — If you are one in New York the traveling to this place is but a trifeling. A number of Steam boats are daily running between Albany & New York. There are at least two boats starting for Albany every morning at 6 or 7 o'clock & arrive in the afternoon same day at from 4 to 6 o'clock. Stages are ready at all times to carry Passengers from Albany to Troy. There are also two Steamboats running between the ~~two~~ places. You can then take the stage at 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning and arrive at about 10 o'clock at the Chequered house in Cambridge which is but a few rods from my place of Residence.

You observe in your letter that the wool-market

Tonhannock
April 16.

Mr C. Birnie
Thomas Dale
Fancytown
Maryland

Whitecreek Washington Co. April 26 1830
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