

Belfast April 16. 1830

My Dear Uncle

I avail myself of a direct opportunity to forward you the annexed account current which I believe you will find correct leaving a balance in your favour of £61. 12. 11. - We have been for a length of time in expectation of hearing from you to have your instructions with regard to some of your tenants, as we had a parcel forwarded to you in the summer of 1828 inclosing a letter from Mr Robt Delap and one from Mr. Sro Barnett, to inform you that Mr. Delap had from misfortune in business been unable to hold the stores, and which, in consequence of the shipping business connected with him having been removed to Donagall Quay, are not of the same value they were some time since. - He has however let them and we have by the advice of Mr. Barnett received the sum which he has got for them from time to time. - Mr. Delap has been obliged to take a store ^{your} office on Donagall Quay and we again, that what we have done was for the best and, such as we would had we been principals in the business. - I must now suppose that you have not received the above mentioned parcel and beg you will in your next say whether you have - if not I will again forward you the whole particulars from the above mentioned parties -

I am writing by this conveyance to my old friend Mr. W. who has commenced a correspondence which I shall be most happy to continue. - I am sure it will give you great pleasure to have him so near you, he informs me he intends settling permanently in Baltimore. - You would be surprised at the change and improvements which are going on in your old native town, which is certainly the most flourishing place in the Kingdom (these had times considered). - The population is now above fifty thousand and the exports more than all the other ports of Ireland put together. - However the improvements and extensions of the other quays when all the coasting shipments are made by the steam vessels have had a most injurious effect on the value of your property, and which I fear from other projected changes will be rather increased than otherwise. - My father although not near so active as formerly still has pretty good health, but he is much devoted to your interests to the best of my abilities. - We are all quite well and with my most affectionate love to my Aunt and cousins William and my Aunt Nancy wrote by the opportunity I have told you above. - I am your attached nephew
Sam Napier