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Mr Alexr Bissie Jr.

Dr Sir.

Immediately upon my return from Balto. I wrote to some of my correspondents in this & other Stat neighbourhood, respecting the purchase of Merino for you, but find that the adv. pric of Wool has operated against purchasers to the advantage that I

A friend in Washington Co. Maty that they c? not be had there under 1/2 D. head, and that at that pric, there are daily purchasers in the Mkt. - Other factors quote them at about the same. If that pric will suit, please advise me.

Resp? Yours
W. D. Harris

Mr Alexr Bissie Jr.
Thorndale
Valley Tan P.O.
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Wm D. Harris

mail

My dear Sir — Annapolis July 6th 1831 —

I received your favor of the 7th of last Month and intended to have answered it long before this, but so it is that I am every day almost riding to my Farm - and when I can stay a Day in Town I seem to be fully engaged with trifling affairs - so that I find but little time to use the pen -

I am much pleased to learn that you have got such a good price for your Wool - of various kinds - this no doubt will induce you to keep up, or rather increase your flocks of Sheep -

I think, considering the severe winter, you have been very successful, in raising Lambs - The next thing is - can you find purchasers for your best breed of Sheep - and your improved breed of Cattle? you must have succeeded uncommonly well in raising so many good Calves - for it seems to me but a very short time since this fine young Animal - Brilliant commenced his career - indeed - Thorndale, must now make a very different appearance - from what it did when I first became acquainted with it - you will have to let the Vineyard rest awhile and turn your attention to covering your fields with fine grass to support so many fine Sheep and Cattle -

Please to accept my thanks for the good present you have favored me, in a Bull Calf and ram Lamb - indeed I shall set great store by them - and when once I can place them on my Farm - they shall have the best accommodation it affords -

I think the way you mention - will be the best to get them to

Annapolis 6 July 1831
Henry Clay Esquire

C. Bissie Esquire
Thorndale
near Valley Town -

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