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Sir, Melwood March 18th 1784.

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By the inattention of the Post master at Annapolis your letter of the 27th of February was sent by the Post a considerable distance below this & by that means & the excessive bad weather for some time after, it did not come to my hands till this day. I consider Swan Harbour & Pecas bit ~~as~~ my property on the terms mentioned in your letter of the 7th ultimo. I hope you will not be disappointed in the payments according to contract the only wish on my side is as to the quantity of land included in the sale to Mr. Smith. Mr. Hudson ~~there were not~~ left the 100 acres Mr. Smith that his lines included from 120 to 130. here must be something like guessing on this point by one or the other Gentleman; for I may attribute it is not an absolute certainty that his lines ~~not~~ ~~exceed~~ ~~line between~~ ~~by~~ ~~Mr. Hall~~ ~~have~~ ~~will~~ clear the doubt, which after your information as to the quantity I have received with a plot of the land all that I ought of Mr. Peca, distinguishing the Parts sold Mr. Smith from those sold me, will be very acceptable. The uncommon interruption & delay of my last letter not with your answer on the same page

Sir, I have received your letter of the 7th ultimo & have written to Mr. Hudson on the subject of the land you mention.