Dr Sir,

November 2nd 1785.

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It has really had not been in my power to ~~comply with~~ make my first payment though I have made every exertion in my power I ~~and can~~ not raise Money upon the Land purchased nor upon any other Property nor can I procure it on Loan through the first, & perhaps Merely Money lender in this State has for some time past promised ~~to~~ supply me in preference I have engaged as far as ~~three~~ thousand pounds sterling when Mr. Lenox & Co. will let me receive so much, but when that will be he can by no means determine, ~~for~~ as he has been most unexpectedly disappointed in ~~receiving his goods~~ ~~from~~ since I arrived Maryland — I have informed Mr. Telfair of my expectations & have put him the ground upon which I have promised to communicate to you — believe me my dear Sir my failure ~~in fulfilling~~ has mortified me ~~extreme~~ & the more so as you have been so ~~[illegible]~~ indulgent. I hope you will be persuaded

Mr. Telfair
Mr. Jan. 1785
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