Dear John,

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On the 15th Mr Taney wrote to me that he had received a Letter by the last Mail from Mr Emmet Authorizing him to make the arrangement which you had suggested to Mr Booth – Mr Taney's letter did not come to my hand till Tuesday Evening & on Wednesday Morning I went to Fred.k for the purpose of executing the Deed of Trust & returned in the evening – I have an indulgence till the first of Feb.y next to pay the balance due to the late Mr Gater – both the Conveyance to me & the Trust Deed were left in Mr Tiss hands to be Recorded – As I am no judge of Land titles it is much my wish that you should have examined the Deeds before they were recorded – but it so happened that I could not be gratified & I confided in the honor of Mr Taney who assured me that he had traced the title with all due attention & had drawn the Deeds with his best skill & judgment – the said Shane then delivered to me & upon examination any error should be discovered of any kind he assured me that it should be corrected – the small Tract called Fields it is the intention to be transferred by an act of Assembly – 2½ acres – I could wish it

Thos. S. Lee

July 19. 1816

Petersville July 21

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