

Boston July 2 1796

Sir

Your favor by Post with the money enclosed 466 Doll: 66 C<sup>ts</sup> 34 over, came safe to hand — and I am much oblig'd for by your attention to the business — & believe the Marsh to be very well sold. I shall be happy to accept your offer respecting the other lots when they are enquir'd after & should like to dispose of them soon.

Please to accept my best wishes for your health & prosperity, & present my affectionate regards to Mrs Wentworth & Miss Ann, in which Sister Echley unites.

I remain  
with due esteem  
your friend & cousin  
D. Jeffries



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Dear Sir,

Your last letter with the 466 dol 66 cents  
 &c. came safe to hand. It was too late, or it should  
 have been answered by the next day's Post.

I think that if Peace should take place in  
 Europe, as it possibly may by the close of this summer,  
 the price of real Estate will fall. For this reason,  
 I am desirous, as well as Mr. Deby, to sell my Lots  
 at the ~~present~~ <sup>last</sup> price concluded for them. I conceive  
 that the square of ground being let for the summer  
 will not prove an hindrance; for as the object  
 arising from the hay or grass is but small, it will  
 of course be thought proper that it should give  
 way to a greater.

I shall be much obliged  
 to you Sir for any assistance or information on  
 the subject of the sale of these Lots, or any  
 other belonging to either of M<sup>rs</sup>. Eckley's Sisters.

With my family's & my own respectful &  
 friendly regards, I am Sir

Your Obed<sup>t</sup> & Obliged Humble Serv<sup>t</sup> &c.

Joshua Wentworth Esq<sup>r</sup>

Joseph Eckley.