

To Robert Williams Richwood Esq

Dillingham House W Newmarket

Dec 12 1818

My Dear Sir

I deplore that y<sup>r</sup> ill State of Health made it necessary to have recourse to a more congenial Climate for its ~~restoration~~ restoration & I most sincerely hope this will find you returned fully renovated - My January Packet I wrote you at large on my Concerns at St Christophers - Answering all your former queries - and sent you a plan of my Estate, consigned as you directed to Mr Wildman - It was sent by Captain Drew of the Emerald who has since returned to this Country - Consequently you must long ere this have received the box tho' you have not acknowledged it - this has caused me to do afire you a great deal of anxiety especially as you took no notice of it in y<sup>r</sup> letter of the 12 July last - Previous to y<sup>r</sup> trip to America long after you must have been in possession of my dispatches - this omission has in fact been of the utmost consequence - relying on having you by every Ship - I allow'd the remainder of the Lease to slip over - In the meantime my Tenant refuses the Valuation of my property according to y<sup>r</sup> agreement - and by letter informs me as we had not come to terms he had written to his agent to make arrangements to deliver up the Estate at y<sup>r</sup> Expiration of the Lease - Either to me or my agent - Not having received y<sup>r</sup> ans<sup>r</sup> to my letter before mentioned Dated Dec 27. 1817 & forwarded Jan 5. 1818 and knowing by your letter of 12 July of y<sup>r</sup> absence - I was know badly without the possibility of acting under the pressing circumstances that occurred - In the first place the Schedule of the Valuation of the Buildings at the Commencement of the last Lease was not forth coming - Consequently the terms of the Lease, could not ultimately be enforced relative to y<sup>e</sup> Value & State of those Buildings - which from all I hear were greatly diminished & many of them being much out of repair - Under these Circumstances you may conceive how much I have deplored y<sup>r</sup> absence & silence - It is true I have had offers for the Sale of my Estate, but the Securities have not been framed - Consequently I cannot think of entering into a Contract / preserving the

party to agree to my Terms / without a Certainty of Rent being paid  
~~provisionally~~ regularly by a responsible House in London half yearly with a  
proper Security for the performance of covenants - One of the Gentlemen  
States he has a very fine Gang of Negroes ready to Cultivate my Estate. Which  
he candidly allow to be very valuable & I feel myself perfectly disposed to  
Enter into a Treaty with him & in fact to give him the preference if he can  
satisfy me by references to any respectable guarantee for the punctuality  
of his Payments &c as I mentioned before - It can be no secret to you  
that Mr Tyson is the person here alluded to - he seems to prefer the  
Satisfaction by Extension of Rent, to the Payment of a fine & were perfectly  
assured of his responsibility in every respect as a Tenant I might  
probably Concede this point to him I must beg you therefore to  
inform me with as little delay as possible - what you know of his  
Property & Situation. and to Obtain from his references to Securities  
and then if you will give me of Opinion of the best Mode / in default of the  
Schedule / of making a tolerable accurate Arrangement to Mr Romney  
on Leasing of the Premises - and the Particulars of such an  
Lease to the new Tenant, as will fully guard my interest in every  
Respect - It will be Mr John Tysons Fault - If enforced by your  
Recommendation, we do not come together - I mean to write to  
Mr Romney proposing to him to hold the Lease to End 1819 <sup>th</sup> will give us  
ample time for a new arrangement - I do not well see how it can be  
Done sooner - I have asked Mr Tyson £1300 a year for a Lease which I  
will grant for seven but not exceed four years On his offered Leasing.  
I must, make the additional requisite Buildings & to lease them at  
the Expiration of the Term in Tenantable Repair - you have therefore my  
permission to converse with Mr Tyson on this Subject - proposing to him  
proposals at Mechelm as best & if he does not agree I beg you will insert  
and advertisement in the Public Papers of the Country that my Estate is to

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a Copy of a Letter to Mr Romney

be let applications for particulars to be made to you - I hope too you have  
permitted me to consider you as my friend on this occasion & that you  
will likewise consider that my whole Confidence is placed in your  
Zeal for my interest & that you will not fail to let me hear from you  
by the first Packet that this may find you perfectly recovered in  
Health is the sincere wish of D<sup>r</sup>: J<sup>r</sup>: of Olden & Olden

Thirteen Hundred Pounds Sterling Money of England

a Copy of a Letter to Robt Williams  
Packwood Esq - on the Subject of  
Settling a Leasing of some of the  
Estate of Mrs Syon Esq Dec 12. 1710

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