

(Doumont Place 29 April 1831

My dear Father

I received yours of last post & send you Receipt for the Bullocks in your banking Book altho' lulls Bill for Carriage the Deficiency of Wool arose from the difference of weight between Mr Gardiners Shearers and the Scale of Mess. Harole. No 1 & 2 are 8^{lb} deficient No 3 14 No 4 had gained 2^{lb} No 5 14 Deft + No 6 4^{lb} deficient. I hope you will succeed in finding your Bullocks also the best 200 Sheep. I am sorry New turned out so negligent a Shepherd and am glad you have engaged another, I am sorry the Land did not get up to you but you will find the Tobacco sown as well and as cheap. They have begun the foundation of the new Bank and it promises to be a very elegant Building altho' not very extensive, I wonder what sort of neighbours Hesketh will make Capn Buzz's I think over much of him, as he said he made several Complaints as to the quantity of the Sheep, and wanted to detain a mare & foal of his now Mr Elliot's which he received the quantity he expected.

I have sent you case per Carver this morning from James & Daniel Robertson's one suit of Corduroy they come rather dearer, than the woollen but I think I will give you for some 600. I have also sent the choice is sent along with I received a note from you by which I have delivered your letter to you. I am glad to hear that you say about the Sugar

would should not have taken it at the time
but Mr Stracey assured me that David Murray
paid him the same price and showed me where
it was booked to him at that. I am sorry that
I cannot make good bargains for you as I
try to do my best, but it is so very awkward
not having to see enough so as to get every thing
off by one Cart as game things come up to you
by nine meal I sent the soap & brush from
Mather's place by a carrier and at present do not
know his name. In the Sacket pocket there is a
plaster for Mr Stone which is Diaculum by mistake
& should have been Benjamin's Patch, I have not
yet 1/2 \$ for him which I must continue to see
a first carrier. There is at present a great stir
with the Lawyers about some compounding Felony
business, and Miss Birch has put herself under
the protection of Capt & Mrs Briggs until her
guardians can arrange about her marriage with
Mr Simon Lord, Mrs Sley has had a good deal
of humping work the little girl having been
in great danger owing to eating unripe grapes
but in now recovering they have had 2 doctors
ought to keep Mr Sley himself in nearly
worn out with fatigue

with best love to you all I remain

Your dutiful son
J. J. Blake