

My Dear Father 27 July 1831.

I have just time to say that I received yours of the 22nd Instant enclosing the two Bills for Collection, your Balance is £217.19.9 I suppose your Bill for £100 and 80 will soon become due: if you sell Plongman to Inoull you had better have cash as he has a 90 Bill over due here or they charge 9 a pound for it now in town the Butchers can well afford I will also deliver the 2 cheques to day to the parties.

Mr. Idley is still very unwell it will be at least a month before he will be fit for business again, he has been considered in danger by the Doctors, and will have to take a trip to the Country, perhaps he may pay you a visit. I went yesterday to the Watchmakers and he assured me that Mr. Sellicoe took your watch along with him and I have no doubt you have received it before this, perhaps Mr. S had not time before to send by
Your

I have had a great deal of trouble with my last balance and
being it into the bargain has given me quite a disgust for
accounts, for what is the use of leading a life of slavery and
then not to be satisfied with oneself, we have had an error
of to find out and cannot succeed, the only way would be to
balance every quarter, but then we should require more assistance
and Mr Hamilton says the Bank cannot afford it, I have also
given up half the Notings to Mr Walker, which makes a deduction
of my salary, but it certainly was not fair but that he should
receive some emolument as he had most of the work of it to do

I am sorry I am obliged to finish so abruptly
but the post is just going

With best love to all
I remain
your aff
W. Blake