My dear Sir,

I have been informed by Mr. Swann that he would be pleased to send me a copy of your letter which shows that Mr. Cameron was invited to inspect my bazinga. If wheat had been planted, it is evident that no harm would have been done to the crop. Mr. Swann has also written to say that he will take my sheep for the amount of £200, as Mr. Cameron can take my sheep for the same amount. In fact, they are already his, but instead of giving the sheep, I believe I can sell a five-acre allotment for £200, and give it to Mr. Cameron, which cannot affect my position in the sheep, as the sheep are of much more value.

Before answering your very kind letter, I wanted to find out whether I should get anything from Mr. Cameron, but I am told he has nothing whatsoever.

I am almost determined not to act, but still think that if any particular request is made, it may pay off the estate, which would be more profitable to my creditors as well as to the preservation...
preservation of my family from ruin.

Now we think by dividing the
farm into 3, all but one may be put
into corn - if the price rises the produce
would go a very great way, the first
harvest, and the second clear me at least
of the debt - and the interest the next year
at any rate it would not be worse and a
chance would be given to me -

I have been to Mr. Goodwin who told me
that in case of involuntary my estate would
not pay 100 on account of expenses, and
advised me to offer what I could.

I will do my utmost to pay the whole, if not the
entire, if it is not enough for me
for my march in that respect
by offering to receive an extra bill
on sale without money, the farmer
you would do me the greatest act of
friendship for which I can
be ever grateful.

Your most

I have been obliged to sell
1000 oats at 7/8 to pay my man June 30th.
Capt Wood
30 June 1849

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