

Hawkridge 30 June 1844

My dear Sir

I by mistake omitted to enclose Mr Swann's letter which shows that Mr Cameron would have invested on my bargain, if wheat had risen – also that is no fear of your being called on for the £200 as Mr Swan can take my sheep for the amount in fact they are already his – but instead of giving the sheep I believe I can sell a two acre allotment for £200 – and give that – which cannot affect my creditors as the sheep are of much more value –

Before answering your very kind letter I waited to find whether I should get anything from Manley Estate – but I am told he has nothing whatever – I am almost distracted how to act – but still think that if supported for two years I could pay off the whole – which would be more profitable to my creditors as well as the preservation preservation of my family from ruin –

Louis and Wm think by dividing the farm into 3 – abt 600 acres may be put into corn – if the price raises the product would go a very great way the first harvest, and the recind [?] 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 Glendon who told me that in case of insolvency my estate would not pay 10s – on acct of expenses and advised me to offer that sum – but If I could guarantee this – I should be miserable I wish to pay the whole if assisted in so doing – If therefore you can in any way forward my wishes in that respect by offering to receive in trust what I can sell without ruining the farm you would do me the greatest net of friendship possible

I am yours truly  
W Wood

I have been obliged to sell 1000 oats at 1/3 to pay my men to June 30 Men

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Cap Wood  
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