

Monday Evg 22 July 44

My dear Sir

I have this day received a letter from Mr Swan which I have copied – and which renders any hope of his assistance totally vain –

Mr Cameron has a Mortgage for £1500 which I supposed to be on the Windfalls but which he says comprised [?] the whole of my land –

He has a bill of sale for sheep to the amount of £200 for which you and he endorsed my bill – for the rest he is in the same position as my other creditors –

I do not ask you to guarantee any thing whatever – but if you would lay my affairs before my creditors and get terms for me – it would be the only service that can be done

I am my dear Sir
yours truly
W Wood

Mr Leake Esq

The flood has again broken down my embankment

Cap Wood
22 July 1844

Mr Leake Esq
Rosedale
Campbell town

an active supervision of your affairs, which my residence on this side of the Island totally prevents my doing

As I have before observed I have no wish to press you in any way but will agree to give you any reasonable time your other creditors will consent to – but you must not require me to weaken Mr Cameron's security in any way – as I am of course bound to see that his interest is protected as fully as I possibly can –

If you can get the banks to give you time for the payment of Mr Manley and other overdue bills – I shall be happy to meet their views but if they do so – I trust you will give me early notice that I may come over and see what is best to be done both for Mr Cameron's interest and your own –

Signed J Swan