

Maplewood May 6th 1834

My dear Father

I have been for some days confined to my bed by a very distressing disorder, of which I am now however fast recovering. Yesterday by the agency of Mr Smith, for I was still in bed I drew upon you as requested in your letter, for \$2333.33 the amount of my note to Martin. The bill is payable in ninety days the longest term I could get. The Bank charged $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent interest and 1 percent discount, making in all \$58.32 which I paid here. They are becoming very particular in their operations; and they say they are not buying bills on the East which accounts for the discount.

Your note to Montmollen I settled today. It amounted to 1496.87. Thomas Hart was unable to meet your demand against him. He has sold his house and plank-yard, and made good sales. I am, therefore, surprised at his inability to pay. He says he holds a note of Layton's and Kier's for \$1200 which will be due the 3rd of May when he promises to pay. The note is a note of hand and he is reluctant to let me have it, but I will try to secure your debt some time this month. I paid Montmollen out of funds in the Bank. You had \$1286.56 deposited there and my mother \$320.00, together making \$1506.56 which subtracted from \$1555.19 the debt to Montmollen and the interest and discount on bill leaves the amount \$48.63 which I paid myself.

I am, of course, unable to make a payment as requested in your last to the Rail Road Co. And I think if you have the means at Washington for paying the Bank my note due the 27th inst for land to the amount of 416.00 You had perhaps as well send me a check and save the disc^{nt} instead of my drawing a bill. They are not