

Alexandria February 21st 1841

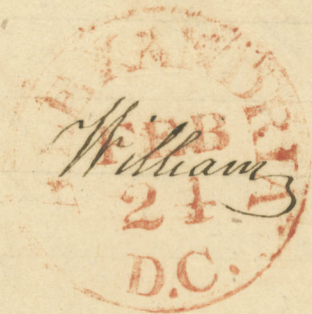
Dear Sir /

Your favour dated the 9th inst^r was not received until Monday last, and as from the present appearance of the weather, it may not be in my power to come, or send to Port Tobacco on the 27th. I have thought it best to write, and request you if necessary, to purchase ~~the~~ ^{the negroes} for me, not exceeding such prices as can be certainly realized for them, of the negro Traders - It must be borne in mind, that negroes are now selling very low for Cash.

If I should not come or send down please write immediately the result, and if the sale should not take place and be postponed, let me know to what time. It is now snowing very fast and I should not be surprised if we have ice before Saturday to prevent the passage of the ferry Boat. Please let me know the situation of my claims against Skinner. Apixia by R. B. Bantleff

Yrs^{ly} Respectly
Bess^y T. Wendall

B. J. Fineman
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Port Tobacco
Charles County
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