

Portland Feb 7/1813

My dear Sir — I have been endeavouring to sell property since writing you last, and have some offers, — but none of cash — I cannot find any person who will talk about trading unless it is by exchange — A man here has a house almost new the bills of which amounted to \$2,500 and the lot \$800 — he offered it to me for a farm I have in Parsonsfield and to pay me \$500 in two years. — but the situation of this house will not do for me to live in — and it will not rent for so much as the farm produces and the farm is going better, and the house work is exposed in case of invasion — I am exceedingly perplexed — my friends at home have been so dissatisfied at my leaving them, that they will not do me any favour, — and some of them try to injure me — I do not deserve such returns. — I have all my days, put myself out all times to aid my relations and friends, and when they needed it. — and always made arrangements to meet my own obligations, — and my present ones I had made such arrangements as did, at the time appear amply sufficient for the intended purposes, — but accidents accrued, as I have so often stated to you, which it was impossible to foresee and provide against — provided the times were as heretofore I should not need