

Dear General

Since my Last I have had Isaac Hatfield here  
and have positively agreed with him to get—  
Three Thousand black ash Rails in the Swamp  
near Joseph Knapp's to be delivered by the first  
of May 1808, on the Hill on this side of Staats  
William, at 80/ per Hundred to be good <sup>and</sup> Merchant  
table to be Inspected by Some Honest man I  
Consulted your brother who Approves of it much  
As Hatfield was Verry Ready and Willing to  
Under take the Jobb— And I Was as Willing to  
Engage with him knowing the Want of them here  
The Sloop went off Last Evening deep Loaded  
And Little Wind at North;

I saw Salvinus Last Evening said he w<sup>o</sup>d finish  
the ~~Lancok Mill~~ <sup>Mill</sup> this day, and the next w<sup>o</sup>d again  
Go to work at the Causeway Idles Meadow—

The Inclosed is the List of the Hogs; purpose  
Killing Cattle Monday next; I sent you the News  
Paper wherein you can see the Last proceeding, of  
the Highland Turnpike Committee; My knee still  
Continues painfull, your Mother is much as usual  
Last Saturday it was good seeding as far down as our  
Cruger, None here We all here join in our Respects  
to you and am your affectionate Father

Dec: 8-1807.  
N<sup>o</sup> 24 I think

Pierre Van Cortlandt

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Speakers of Hails

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