

Dear Sir

Johnstown August 1st 1812

About one month since, I received a letter from Mr. V. Cortlandt, acquainting me of his intention of being in your City the begining of this month and wished me to have the money ready for him at that time, or he would leave the note with an Att^y. for collection - It gives me pain to find I have thus long kept you out of your money, at the time of the loan I had prospects of paying when it became due, but have been disappointed in receiving money that was due me - I wish for you would prevail on Mr. V. Cortlandt not to press the payment at this time as it will greatly distress me to pay the additional cost of a suit - If I dare ask for the indulgence of a few weeks until I harvest my wheat - I will call on you & make what payment I possibly can, if I cannot discharge the whole demand at that time it will be the greatest part - I will know for its not your wish, nor the wish of Mr. V. Cortlandt to compel me to pay cost if it can with propriety be avoided - I hope for will you grant me this indulgence I ask - I am for with esteem your humblest serv^t - B. Livingston

The Hon^{ble} - P. V. Rensselaer Esq^r

B Livingston
August 1st 1812

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