

Lisbon Farm Sep 15th 1867

Dear Andrew

Yours of the 11th has been received I am sorry that you think my feelings unchristian in regard to your sisters.

But I have tryed to carry it to that tribunal that never errs. but cannot yet see that in the mane that I am in error. Yet still it may be an error that from the pride of my heart. I may not be able to see. But of this I am certain that it is a christian duty to have faith enough in ones self to go forward in temporal duties to provide for your own. therefore if certain friends who you have looked up to. in there intercourse you appear to take away this faith so as to make you feel disponding & nerveless for action. It is ones christian duty to avoid or limit it to such intercourse that will not bring about such feelings. I have never applyed to you(r) sisters for ade in money, and feared to do so. because I feared that it would widen the breach in the manner of ading or refusing to ade. either way I feared that I should come from them wider separated in feeling that feeling than We now are. or that I hope ever to be. It is not possible that the true spirit might make me act thus? Hoping that they may not always look upon me with such indifferance and that they may have some good oppinion of me.

For if they have not so looked upon me then I have been greatly in error. and am truly sorry for so misjudging them. You will please remember that I did not vou-lunteer this subject. but felt forced to give a reason as you insisted on that applycation. The subject makes me more anxious and sadder as it is brought up in these letters. than the notes in Bank that are most likely to be protested without some way opens to me. or without I am shaved for two per cent a month for sixty days.

But I will try again. I went to Githens & Rexsamer(?) @ Dock St. to whom I have consigned my berries this several years past. and they have a good opinion of me. and told them my trouble. and asked them to lend the money or their name. they said their was no one they would sooner do it for. but it was the time for laying in stock they never lent their name, but in sixty days or thereabouts they would hel p me. I threatened to go to J.W. Campbell first to try him. and should have done so but he was out of town. but as I had not the same faith in him as in G & R I have not done it. I am anxious to hold the berries or at least have the chose of holding or not. with a bill of sale on the crop in the hands of a man I cannot trust. is worse than a protest. I have lived so retired from the world that I know not who to ask to lend it. but think now of asking Tony jr who would be most likely to have it as his business enables him to judge better than I can. In sixty days some berries can be sent to market. and if G & R comes forward as they promis. to help me hold them I have some hope. of saving 100 percent on the best keeping berries. Do not you think it was the interest of G & R to Secure 2 or three thousand Dollars of sales by advancing their note for 1000. when the appeared to be certain of the parties. the fruit and everything about it.

Please sent me your check for the amount you promised to lend soon. for perhaps I may get renewed if I can pay part.

I have good news to tell you. the first is my son has got a place in Market St Phil^a at wages that will keep a country boy. That is one thing to be thankfull for also that I spent another night at R.J. in Mt Holly and he does not talk so about his wife. and they both appear to be settleing down allright. I trust. Again we have excaped a frost the two or three cold nights we have had. and by all experiance of the past the berries will be ripe before the next one comes.

Give my best regards to Mrs. Jones. all inquiring friends.

I remain thankfull for past & present favours

Yours truly
James A Fenwick