

Dear Sir

Thetford 1st Novr 1769

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When you get down to Colchester I'll expect
to hear from you as I would wish to spend an even-
ing with Mr Holroyd & you at Mr. Moncrieff's in
order to enquire off Malcom. At some time
should be glad to know whether Mr Holroyd Intends
to sell his Estate or not as I have some Money that
I would not any way dispose of if he sells but if he
Intends not to sell I have an opportunity today
it out to advantage by what I had had your friend
A certain person I take at the full rent of his Estate
is not above £650⁰ of Annuum Rent shows he
lived at £10 p year, I don't say the Debts including
the provisions for his Sisters will not be much
short of £500 If the Interest of it is £25 Annually
his Mortgage Taxes as there is not provided about £20
yearly so that by this State of Mr Holroyd's Affairs

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he will not have above £20 ^{per Annum} for
himself besides if he brings his Family over
from Jamaica Builds or repairs a House here with
furniture will not stand here much below £200
The Question then will be whether it is Mr
Mabers Interest to settle upon his Estate under
those Incumbrances or to dispose of it with the
Burden of his Wifes Life rent & after paying
all Debts to carry out a Sum of Money the Very
Interest of which may be ^{then} comes as much
as all the present revenue he can set down
upon this is what occurs to me in his present
Situation but you be better able to Inform him
of his Affairs when you Converse with his Executors
& makes up a great deal of his Estate & a State of the
Debts & other Burdens affecting it, I'll Expect to hear
from you by the Post & let me know when you
Intend to go to Oxford so that I may not be off the
Town when you send me a Boy from thence
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my best respects to Mrs Johnson & Jam

Dear Sir

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