

Mount Sterling 22^d July 1833

Dear Sir

Your favor dated the 10th Inst. but post-
marked the 15th I rec^d on my way to the Country. It
afforded me sincere pleasure to learn that yourself and
family had escaped the ravages of the Cholera - Mrs Payne
and myself have both suffered from attacks of the disease
as also several of our servants - We are now pretty
well restored to health again. Some parts of our County
are still suffering from the disease - The town is healthy
- There has been the continued state of apprehension felt
by almost every person, of the approach of Cholera to their respective
families, as to confine them generally at home, so that I have
had no opportunity of visiting Standards Stable, since my return
from the East, and which is my apology for not visiting on the
subject of his prospects for the season - I was at my Brother
since the reception of your letter, and learn that Stand-
ards has secured between 80 and ninety mares only this season
inclusive of those that misfed last season - My Brother is
inclined to the opinion that with his fall season, he will
be able to obtain about 100 altogether, as we know of several
mares which would have been to him but the Cholera, has pre-
vented their being sent heretofore

His Cotts are uncommonly fine, and such are the vol-
untary testimonials which have been received, that no doubt is
entertained that he will next season, have as much or more
business than it would be desirable for him to serve, let his
stables be where it may - We however cordially concur

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[Witness of Standards 1833]