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Dear Madam:

The time is now very near when we must decide, about the renting of your lots — The present occupant is unwilling to give more than $30 for the hill lot, unless he has the privilege of ploughing — in which case the lot may bring $40. or $45 rent p^r year, then the lot would require additional expense of fencing — to be reimbursed the tenant must have the lot for two years in order to sow it down for gross, or you must receive it back in its ploughed state which would subject the owner of the lot to an expense equal to to all the increase of rent — The taxes for the last year, have been increased to $16.50 on the two lots, which with what I have paid last year, for building of 1/2 the new fence against one of the adjoining lots, makes the balance now due you, for the last year — $11.60, which I hold subject to your order — I regret extremely on your account, that the lot was not sold when you had an offer for it, as the interest of money may be more rapid than increase of value — the lot has been well used by the present occupant, If you say it must be rented for $35 the next year, I think rather than give it up he will consent to pay it for one year and in that time ~~the~~

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