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Mr. [unclear]

no please your honor I have writ four letters & can not
hooke from your honor, & I have found 2 Iron stone mines and
In malkon ^{of} Slaik Land which is now John Blackfords & the other
In Lane Allotts of Shortley & have sunk 2 shafts & has found very
good Iron stone at booth places. & has 2 very good tenants for it one
is Mr. Arthur of Horriaster & the other Mr. Saverill of Wakefield
me Lord I would god never a gooder man to hope me to find them but
as for to gett a workhouse man to hope me I have or have my
mission an note under your own hand for the same persons —
every body found me & said I would do no good: & now Mr.
Saverill says it is an odd thing: I desire your Lordship to favour
your Rentall & see if you have had any thing for the 60 years
& if you have I will have nothing for my 3 years. I desire your
Lordship would be pleas'd to lett me have abins or tenn from your
honor that I may have me 3 years for I have nothing In
the woods to hope me & booth the mine stanes & I stane
untill I hear from your honor: Mr. Lord & please your honor
there is 500 a year lost which I gott into rent with in this three
years: 40 a year at brassy: 8 a year at Staynland: 8 a year
at Robert Paggas: Captain Liffstar took my tenants of which I lett
on: & lett it to Robert page his ~~the~~ flunge down your honours
woolke & Lryed his own self through yours: & In the name
of 8 we have twenty Shillings if I have an answer this
again whether must I have me 3 years or no, for it will be
called an odd thing to me Lord: there is a lead mine at
Heptonstall not that which your honor saw but an new one which
I hope to recover the next summer: whosoever they was that
steal'd your honor not to take Mr. Hasillhurst 250 a year for
his lead mine In Amstom Middleton was not your friend I was
there 3 days & I don't Hope he will not run to his purpose

My Lord) if itt like yo^r Hon^r, I have been wth Mr Currier att y^e Mine, -
wher we got y^e Sylver bare, y^e have Carried to Mr Currier =
every sort of mettall y^e lyes in y^e mine; But a foolish Goldsmith
begind to trye itt, & caused Mr Currier to make a stop, saying
there was Nothing in itt, but he had nothing to trye itt wth
= all accordingly att Mr Howard's rate, where fore I have sent
a Lett^r to Mr Howard, declaring how this Goldsmith tryed itt
& ad for y^e bare itt will be att London upon Thursday next, and
if there be any Sylver in this y^e have sent, I desire y^e we may
proceed, for I have seen pieces of y^e same sort, of 3 pound
weight, but I cannot procure wth ad yett, by reason y^e Gill is
soe fallen down; And ad for y^e full mine in Emley Parke, itt
doe goe on very well y^e lib^r to last 100 years, y^e ad yo^r Hon^r,
doe like this according to tryall from Mr Howard, I would
desire to know whether yo^r Hon^r, will proceed or nott; soe I
desire yo^r most Humble servant to command =

Sam Donarley

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My Lord

Upon search in your Lordships Ground in the parish of Emley
I found an Iron Stone ~~of the~~ which may be of great
Advantage to your Lordships & m^r Currier is now treating
as with some Gentleman about the letting of them
Therefore I have bold to write to your Lordships to remind
you of your ~~promise~~ Promise to me which was that I should
have the Profit of all the Mines I found in your
Lordships Ground either Lead Coals Iron or Iron or any
other Minrall whatsoever for three years & would desire
your Lordships would be pleased to give your special Order to
m^r Currier for him to let me have the first three years
Profit of that Ironstone ~~of the~~ I found at Emley for so
soon as I have I must dispose of itt for ready Money to
enable me to carry on your Lordships Lead Mines at
Hoptonhall which I doubt not to recover my Credit is so
low that without ready Money for this I shall be able to
do nothing for I have neither Money Credit nor Cloths
& without this be done I must come to live with your
Lordships who humbly subscribes myself for

Your Lordships

Respect 28th August
1685

(most humble & most
obedient servant to Command)

Adam

T. Donkley