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The letter enclosed came under my cover from Mr. Adam Muncey on Tuesday, but as I did not arrive till late last night I could not get it transmitted you sooner.

I was so short a time in Hightown that I had not an opportunity of conversing with my friend Mr. McFonnell on the subject you mentioned to me last Sunday. However from the poverty of the place and the scarcity of men of taste & genius in it [Entirely so for it is ~~in~~ our country] I am afraid it would not be worth your while to make the trial. But Mr. McFonnell may be written to, and I am certain you will get as much satisfaction from him on that head as from any man in the neighbourhood. I am sorry his indolence prevents me from giving you hopes of success from that quarter, but I do not see acting the part of a friend were I attempt to flatter or deceive you. I have nothing new to inform you than always w. the most sincere regard

Yours most obll<sup>g</sup>ly  
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