

De Kalb 24th Sept 1814

I feel pleased dear sir in naming to you, the return of Mrs. Cleghorn and family to the hotel in Aovr, after some solicitation I've arranged with her, much to the satisfaction of the township and those adjacent. The apparent difference in the establishment since her departure had become so proverbial that many name to me daily, as viewing this a commencement of some change and attention for their benefit. Your favor to me by return of the mail, with one line "sign for me in the agreement for the Hotel as done for the other Proprietors.

With Townsley I have closed, 1/2 an acre \$15. His house is commenced, 28 by 34 1 story, by the winter he will have it enclosed. The price is trivial but his holding out for the acre would not allow me to name a greater price for the half.

Squire Cooper has also commenced his mansion on the farm, 20 by 40, to be 2 stories and similar to Stacy's. The frame goes up this week.

Goff has purchased the frame of the house, opposite Thatcher's in the village. He contemplates finishing it, which will further add to the appearance of the town.

These little things, I feel gratified in naming from my stay here, having caused a wish for the prosperity of the township.

The surveying will finish I should say in about 4 weeks. Spencer from Gouverneur under the eye of Goff is also busy.

Very Respectfully Your Humble servant,
Henry M. Fine