Morris Ill June 8 1864

Wm Gooding Esq
Dear Sir

Yours of June 6 is at hand & I hasten to reply.

Your information with reference to Mr Garnes purchase of W ½ SW ¼ 31.33.6 is correct. he is a fine old man, commenced on the land poor, I advanced part of the first pmt, which he paid back as he agreed to

I understood his only son had gone to the war & it occurs to me was dead – I may be mistaken.

You are doubtless aware that Farmers have had a hard time for the last two years. Mr Garnes land would fare bad being cold clay barrens –

I hope it can be arranged so that he can redeem his land

Write to G. W. Armstrong who resides near by, & will doubtless hand him a letter

Truly &c
G. W. Claypool

Direct to Earlville
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