Highly esteemed Mr. Amtmann

As Your Excellency is aware, the third son of Schürmann, who lives in Ellerbeck, is currently visiting here for a military service examination, having been exempted from duty. His destination after the mission is China.

The youngest Schürmann son, Clamor, 17 years old, is the heir to the estate and has long wished to dedicate himself not to economics but to teaching. Now that his brother is here, he intends to join the missionary society in Berlin. The brother present here has written to Berlin and received news the day before yesterday that the younger brother can be admitted to the missionary school.

The eldest brother has already married Siemonn's daughter in Wulfthen and receives an 800 rt dowry from Siemonn's estate.

Given that the younger brother would need approximately 300 to 400 rt for his education at the mission, the elder brother is willing, if possible, to arrange for the provisional separation of the estate from the younger brother, with Your Excellency's approval. He would then borrow the necessary funds on his own account and take over the estate after the stepfather's specified years of service, which will still be 9 years. The brother preceding the younger one, who is 19, also intends to fully assume the estate after the service years, but securing the necessary funds is difficult, as they cannot be borrowed from the estate now, let alone with the stepfather providing interest. Even if all the existing children, numbering 9, might find the current debts and the necessary loan capital too burdensome for the Colon and the estate, and there is no guarantee of obtaining the funds now or of future interest payments, he must nevertheless refrain from this.

We beg Your Excellency, as the landlord and guardian of the estate, to provide your well-intentioned advice and support regarding the aforementioned circumstances and, if possible, to assist the younger Schürmann, as he does not seem to be willing to abandon his principles.

Your Excellency's most humble servant [The guardians?] of the Ver*?

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Dr. Webbeleg?
and on behalf of Dickenden?

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