

State of Mississippi Tippah County
October the 18th 1850.

Dear Brother, I avail the
the opportunity of writing of you a few lines to
inform you that I and family are in a tollerable
Good state of halth at this time. thanks be to
the Almighty for his blessing Hoping that these
few lines may safely reach you and find you
and your family all enjoying the same blessing
Dear brother, I can state to you that I have sent
you some two or three letters in the last twelve
months and has not received any letter from you
in that lenth of time from you. last october
I sent you a power of atorney inclosed in a letter
which empowred you to transact my buynys in
that Country. an never knew wheather you had
received it or not untill about fore or five weeks
ago I received a letter from Cofield Ellis and he
informed me that he saw you a few days previas
to his writing to me and said you informed him
that you had received a power of a turney from
me. Ellis also informed me there was \$378.80
due me there which is in the hands of John
Narflet Clerk of the County Court. he also informed
me that there was due me \$18.80 which was in
his own hands. he also informed me that there

was due me some where about \$ 17.00 which was in
the hands of Bassett Jukes my Mothers administrator.
which makes about \$ 474.60 Cts due me there. Dear
Brother please collect my money and buy a Check
at the Bank in Tarborough or some Good Bank in
Philadelphia or New York Payable to me and
forward it to me by mail for the Proceeds thereof.
Please take a Duplicate Check and keep it in your
own possession till I inform you that I have
Received the original one. so that if I should fail
to get the first one you could get another. or please
pay your self out of it for your trouble. Dear Brother
please do this as soon as you can for me. and this
shall be your Receipt for the same. I can sell
the Check here to any of the merchants for the
same amount of money. Brother Gideon I can
inform you that Crops is generally sorry in this
Section of Country on the account of the Drouth
I didnot have a season of rain at any one time from
about the tenth of may till the first of september
although my Crop is tolerable fair the best that
I know in the neighbour hood I think my
Cotton Crop will bring me some two thousand
dollars this year. Dear Brother write to me as soon
as you can and write me wheather Needham and
Whitmil Beeman and Wile have ever receive the

money Due them from Mother's estate or not
and write me word what you have ever done with
Ailee concerning the Boot money that he owes me
and you and let me know whether you ever saw
him or not. So I must close so nothing more at
present only remaining your Brother and friend until
Death
Jesse Ward

Spring Hill Miss 10

To Esdaile Hard W
North Carolina

Pitt County
Falkland Post Office

