

Macon, 27<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1842

Dear Sirs

I assure you I was quite gratified in receiving yours of 11<sup>th</sup> inst. Some eight or ten months ago a Young Man from Jones County whose name I do not recollect told me you had given the way of <sup>our</sup> Father as he professed to know you I made no further enquiry, since I have since your last I have been terribly unfortunate by Encumbrance & Speculation on Cotton my loss has exceeded thirty thousand dollars which has reduced me again in my old age very low, my poor Brother Benjamin died about two years ago, this last fall his wife & two of his sons followed him, the balance of his family is in Florida, I am pleased to learn that your Companion & dear Mother Still Survives, my afflicted Wife is still with me, she with myself begs to be affectionately remembered to you all, I will be glad to hear from you again should I find more but have become so very nervous that I can scarcely write may Heaven blessing rest upon you all

I remain  
Dear Sirs  
Yours truly  
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