Alabama Sumter County Janry 30th 1842

Mr Renwick Dr Sir I take my pen to inform you I am well and has Enjoyed very good health Since I parted with you thanks Be to a kind providence hoping that these will find you and family Enjoying the like Blessings is my sincere wish Contrary to my calculations I Traveled through a part of Georgia which I never came Before I was at your friends Doctor Renwicks one night the Doctors family were well and he was very Busy Attending to his practice his Sister in law was there She is a very interesting young lady I had the pleasure of being in her company one afternoon in my Traveling through Lagrange I met with a Mr Geer from Fairfield he would have me go home with him he lives only a Short Distance from Dr Renwicks I am Doing Bussiness near Linden Marengo County on the Bank of the Big Cay River I work 30 hands the Gentlemans name is Lewis he lives in North Alabama in Morgan County he works 100 likely hands at Both places I Get $600.. And found This plantation & hands is worth $50 000 Dr Sir I hope you will Do me the favour to write me and tell me if you have Taking home your Darling Yet and who all of the young ladies in that Country is married Yet and who is Single

Alabama is a great Bugleboo to the Yound ladies
of South Carolina But I tell you My Dear Sir
It is the Garden Spot of these Southern States
when You write pleas Direct to linden Marengo
County Alabama our friends here are all well and
Getting Rich You may tele Rosana
And James Calvins lady has a Beautifull Daughter
It favours the Grandfather James Rogers pleas Give
My Respects to Cousen Cleff Beard and Lady old Mr
and Mrs Beard and family Uncle John & family
Mrs Brenwick and family the old lady I have a
Great respect for She Seemed more like a mother to
me when I was there than a Stranger
I Can take my Gun and Kile a Deer any Day or a
turkey and we can catch fish here that will way
from 40 to 60 lbs
And Stile the Girls Dont want to come here
we raise fine cattle & Hogs we can Buy Beacon in
Mobile now the best Cincinnatta Sides at 3½ Cts
Sugar 6½ to 7½ flower $7.00 Barrel we Get our Cotton
hauled to Market at one Dollar & [redacted] Steam Boats
we Can Get a passage to Mobile for 5 Dollars the best
Kind of Accommodations in the Cabbin
there is boats runs here that carries 1200 Bales Cotton
It is now 11 o:clock You will pleas Excuse this Scrawl
And Except of My Best Respects to Us
please to write me when You receive this
Very respectfully Yours James Browne

Pleasant Plains Ala
Feb 11th

Read and see
that Jane Ross
was married

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Mr W. A. Penwick. Esq
Newberry District near
Newberry Court House
So Carolina

Jane 30th 1842
Jas Brown