Tuskaloosa Cty Ala. July 15th 1835

Dear Sir I have the happerness to inform you that myself and family are in com=
=mon health and am in hopes the reception of this may find you & family & relation generally in good health - Though I have heard verbally that your section of country was visited with sickness at present we have heard a while back that David Mozly had departed from this life and last weak Mr Lookingbill told Davis that a Garland Terrell had loss one of his children but I didnot learn what aged child it was - nor what the desease was - I heard that David Mozly had the bowel desease and perhaps Mr McCoye had loss'd a child with the same desease - that complaint is prevelent in over section of country but there is no deaths near us with the desease so fare as I ~~go~~ know but below town and in Green Cty have heard of some deaths - over neighbourhood are in a reasonable health - amongts children there is many cases of pukeing and bowel complaints but the have been so fare but of short duration which I persume have Caime from the use of Green froot as you cant well keep children from yousing them - I was wright bad off last a weak myself with the bowel desease which I laid to drinking too much wauter when I was too hott at work. I have been confind to work perhaps as hard this summer as any for several years back -

I think almost every Summer that I will not a
make a common hand but from Several
Causes it Seems to compell me into ranks again
we live in a world of extravagancy of dress &
eating which cant be kept up without money
now if it would become the pride of the human
family to excell each other in virtue morals
and a respectful intercourse with each other
~~and to~~ it would not cost so much money and
what a great diffrence of happyness & peace
we would have to what we do under the course
of life we now live under — last year it Seemed
like we had clouds of politick hoving over us or
rather through us that disease still remains not —
quite so worse but its daingerous features
are the same where ever it is carry out — you
know the most fatal diseases often attack in the
most simple forms — I would be proud to see
the interferance of heaven in his own form
& way to bring us all wright again — let us all
stand on over own merrit rise or fall as the case
mout be I would be willing to be put in the
Scale and go at the worth of my politicks
I have nothing of a publick nature than you
find with the news papers over candidates
have a hard time this time the have no pony
to ride this Summer last year the had a fine
fat pony in first rate trim nothing amiss with
him — that was a sad nullfier — now the have
their own merrit which makes them ride
dul and heavy the cant rair the war hoop
now nor give much credit to themselves as to
merrit or talent — but time will prove all
things perhaps when it is too late —

I will be Glad to hear how long David Mozley
lay Sick and how he Seem,d to be reconsocted
to dealth - also which of Garland children
departed this life age &c be proud to hear
weather there is anymore of the relations Sick
in that Section of the country I fee despose
to wright to Sister Since her loss but dislike
to wright untill I can learn from Some
of the relation how David pass,d away as it
would Show Some what of a loss of interest
in Keeping up a Comunication with each
other - I Cant Say what her Course will be
which of her Children She will in deaver to live
with [illegible] are [illegible] unsettled except Betsy
and weather Lewis have Gotten him a home or
not I Cant Say as I have not heard from them
along time back - but I persume he is in
an easy circumstances So as to inable him
to take her If was not place,d as I am with
2 old people would be willing for her to live
with me provided She wished to do so - you
will give my love to all the relation in your
Section of country and except to yourself
my best wishes this from your most obt

Servt &c

Wm H Terrell

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