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Dear William

Your of the 7th instant has been received and is now before me for reply= I regret to see that you seem to be (???) on account of you Solitary condition= nothing else could expected from me (???) who has been raised in the bosom of kind and affectionate parents= I am even astonished(?) that you can hear your situation arose as you do= But you must look to the future for a full compensation(?) for you present toils and (???) = Much depends on you at this time= you have a very large family interest under your direction and sole control and if you manage it successfully it will not only give you character with your acquaintances, but will give you (???) in yourself, and (???) you such a consolation as nothing else can give you= You will be fully compensated (???) in feeling, by such enjoyment for all the care(?), (???) and trouble you now take upon yourself and besides you will be compensated in dollars and cents for all your attention to the farm= On this subject I had a conversation with your father and he assured me you should benefit for your services, in addition to the interest you had in the property, (???) with (???) and the other(?) (???)= Your father has no fears(?) of your success, and I believe all your connections(?) have the fullest confidence(?) in your industry, (???), and sober (???)= I have not heard from Athens since wrote to you= It is assumed(?) here that John (???) the whig candidate for Congress has been elected of Mr. Blackvile(?)= It is almost certain that Brown, has been elected Governor, and that a majority of the legislature is democratic= I do not know that it will be in my power to come down to Alabama this fall, If I can I will do so= I was (???) supr Court last week, and shall leave here in a few days for Forsyth County Court + from that I shall go to Lumpkin County, and from there to Athens Tennessee—Where I can stay for two weeks with my family—

Your Brother

John Lumpkin