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My Dear Sir

After separating with you at LaFayette, in Walker County Georgia I hoped my time there untill the next day very agreeable with my friends I reached Genl. Beavers the next day to dinner, and found that you had stopped there an hour or so, = I read your letter and thank you kindly for the suggestions that your letter contains and will improve upon all your suggestions = I remained at Summerville during Court, and was employed in several cases during my stay there, and feel assured that I shall have no difficulty in getting into practice again = we held a democratic meeting to appoint delegates to a conversation to nominate a candidate for Governor = I made them a speech and delegates were appointed – my friends all seemed very glad to see me = I reached this place on Wednesday evening and I have been busily engaged in writing letters from the time I reached home = I found at least a half bushel of letters in the Post Office for me and I have been all the while engaged in answering them – my horse continues to perform very well up to this time = He is very much admired by every one, and more than one member of the Bar, had enquired if their was any more Girls who called the same man Father = I have met with a tolerable good match for my horse in size, make and color, and I think that they will suit pretty well in their movements – He is owned by Col. A.D. Shackleford of Cassville – Shackleford is very anxious to make the match His horse is seven years old and works well in single or double harness, and is a shade lighter from Gray than mine = He made me a proposition to give or take 150 dollars = I did not give him any answer, but I was half inclined to give him the 150 = If I were sure that I could make mine a good harness horse I would give the price, I will not take that sum for my own horse the match well Broke would be worth in market, from \$4 to \$5.00. Every (?) is in a lively and improving condition, and this place, looks more like business than any place[.] Mitchell says that he desires to build an (?) to the Burke Tavern House, and I learn that there are several others who desire to build Brick Buildings, and there is no person here making Brick and not a Brick in the place for any purpose = Leach is at Carterville? in Cass county building some houses I do not know when he will come back = This leaves me in the enjoyment of excellent health – Give my love to William and tell him I hope that since he has

received the paint Box and music Book, I stand higher in his estimation than formerly – I will try and go down? and see him this summer if I can

with great kindness

I am your Son in Law

John H. Lumpkin