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Greenboro Sem Col Dec 22nd 1850

I fear you have begun to think me a very negligent correspondent; Dear Cousin, for having left your kind letter so long unanswered, and really when I received it I thought I would answer it in a very few days, but was always prevented, by something, and thus I have neglected writing until this late period, If you will forgive me this time I can assure you I will always be more punctual in responding to your letters;—

I have nothing new to write only our session ~~has~~ closed, and nearly two weeks of our vacation has passed, I have enjoyed myself finely so far we are ^{at} liberty to do as we please, and I tell you if you were to pass by here sometimes you would think this old College was coming down, or a steamboat was running through the passages, but our worthy President stands it all very well, he never comes up to disturb us in our frolics;—

We are rooming on the second Story in a very pleasant little room, all the objections I have to it, is it is on the back side, but perhaps that is all for the best, as I would not study so well, if I were on the front side, our room mates are Patic McPae, femina Watkins, they are both very agreeable, room-mates and very sweet girls, I love them dearly; when Mary Jordan returns, I will certainly room with her, if five has to room

in the room, for I would not miss rooming with her for anything.

We received a letter from Pa yesterday, they were all well except Will, he was sick the day Pa wrote, but nothing serious the matter with him, —

I am afraid ^{you} had heard cousin Sam, had gone in copartnership with Dr Myers, but they could not agree, so cousin Sam has gone back to Pa's. Pa says he is doing nothing, there, and ^{no} likelihood of his doing anything that will be profitable to him or any other person; he speaks of going to Alabama or Mississippi, but I think it very likely he will remain at Pa's for sometime yet; I am very sorry he has turned out in such a manner, but I always thought that he would not stay long with Dr Myers, for he can't agree with no person long at a time, it is a great pity too, for he is a very smart young man, and an excellent physician, but that

temper of his, I am afraid will do more against him than for him, for he has no control over it at all, you must not say anything about what I have said, as Pa does not wish it to get out how cousin Sam has acted, you must not think by my telling you this that we all do not love him, for we all think a great deal of him, I thought as you were the same as one of the family, there would be no impropriety in my telling you this, —

I wrote to Uncle Bethel sometime since but have received no answer to my letter yet, if you have heard anything from him please let me know for I am very anxious to hear from him, Sister received a letter from your sister Mary some days since, they were all well, she said she had written to Uncle Bethel's wife, but had received no answer

I can not imagine what ails the matter with him, I believe, ^{nearl} all his relations write to him, ~~usually~~, but he won't answer their letters, —

Have you ever heard from Miss Emma since you left Stanley? I heard the other day she was to be married shortly, I expect that will nigh about break your heart, but don't grieve yourself, cousin Louder, perhaps it is not so; and even if it is so. I have got a very nice little girl picked out for you, I have given you to about fifty, girl; some call you cousin Loaque Loaque, cousin Billie &c; if you will come up this vacation, I will bring her down and give you an introduction to her; I can't tell ~~te~~ you her name now, —

Oh!! I like to have forgotten to tell you, Uncle Willis has bought land, and expects to locate, soon, Grandma is living with them, —

I have not heard what Sis Lanza has named ^{her} baby yet, but I believe they speak of naming him, James Thomas; — answer this immediately for I am anxious to hear from you, if you will answer this immediately, I will be certain to answer yours by the next mail after I get it; — Sister joins me in much love to you and says; answer her letter, —

Write soon to your affectionate
cousin Jane

P.S.

Excuse all mistakes, for I am in a great hurry, I don't expect you can read one word of it, if you can't just come up and I will read it for you, —

— send her love to you

excuse great haste, Jane