

with your Saltwell but I could give her no information. — As soon
as I returned to Nashville and found the letter you had written to her
and sent by Mr. Harris I immediately enclosed it to her and not
knowing whether you might not have been as sparing in commu-
nicating information to her with regard to your progress and
prospects as you had been to me I wrote to her what Mr.
Harris had told brother John. — I have sold about one half
of the upper end of the Brick House Tract including the most
of the Hill, to young John Davidson, the Rev. St. C. Ferguson and
Reps Osborne & Mrs. McCulloch and have reserved about
850 acres for myself including the House. — During the
last summer I had one end of the House taken down as far
as the passage, and had a Frame Building in the shape of
a wing connected to the House behind by a Porch which gives
as much room as before and makes it more secure and com-
fortable. — I believe however you were there since this alter-
ation was commenced. — You will perhaps also recollect a
comfortable frame building that was put up in the Spring House
Lot near the Gate and which was originally made for Dean. —
a good comfortable Kitchen has been built to this House
and some further additions will be made to it this winter or
next Spring. — When my Family move out in the Spring my
mother intends to occupy this House and manage her own
matter according to her own notions. — She is now very well
pleased with the prospect. — There is a Tract of 700 acres
of Land adjoining the Brick House and including Mrs.

McCulloch's old place and running down towards the Three
Fork Mill, which James is now offering for Sale and which
my mother wishes you to buy in the hope that after you have
made a good deal of money you will come there and
settle on it. — I would be glad myself that you would do
so. — I have been writing the last few lines in the dark and have now got a light. —
I am building a Female Academy near the Brick House and expect to
get a good Teacher from the East next Spring and have my daughters educa-
ted at home in the County. — I also expect to get a good male Teacher
at the Old Academy and have my boys educated there. — My wife
is becoming better reconciled to the idea of moving back to Bedford. — Her
health is still about as usual. — I believe I informed you that
had another son named Andrew now about 3 months old. — My
sons are now going to school here to Dr. Weller and my boys going to school
in the lower end of Bedford to Parsons Hale. — Mr. Hitchcock passed
through here a few days since on his way home from the East. — He expects
to visit Duck River next summer with his family and thinks Isaac will do
so too. — I expect brother James & Mr. Foster will also be there and hope you
will be able so to arrange your matters as to pay us a visit while they are
all there. — Please let his note to you be paid. — I have
to pay it the next time he comes up. — The money you sent by Mr. Harris and
Barnson, note when collected will be applied to the payment of your note to Great
man Woods & Co. and the balance placed to your credit until I see you. —
With regard to the note you gave me for the money of James's that I ad-
vanced you I gave the note to James and presume he does not care whether
you ever pay it or not. — I have however written to him on the subject & when
I hear from him will write you. — Yrs. A. Erwin