

Ashland 14<sup>th</sup> July 1833.

Dear Henry

The enclosed letter was recd at the P. Office for you.

Not hearing from you on the subject of your Hay, as I intimated in a former letter I would do, I engaged ten mowers of Gen. Shelby for two days at a dollar apiece. To these some of my own and of Mr. Ennis were added. On the day before yesterday (Friday morning) we began work. We left off last night, having cut both your lots, and stacked all in that which is near to the garden, and cocked all in the other lot so as to secure it from rain. There were five fence days for making hay, and yours is put in admirable order. After I have reaped my own harvest, I will send some hands to assist Billy in completing the stacking.

Your mother, Anne, Mr. Ennis and all the children, and Mr. Smith Sr. went with me to your place, where we spent the two days upon an excellent day. The meals were dressed at Ashland and Billy supplied us with a variety of excellent vegetables. We passed the time quite agreeably.

Your corn is clean and laid by, and the garden is in very good order. Billy is a very good faithful servant, and we all concluded that you had better purchase the family, altho' the price is high.

The Cholera has, I believe, disappeared from Lead. Hill and at the Woodlands all are well. Our love to Julia

Yrs' affectionately

H. Clay

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