

My Dear daughter

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

Upon my return home about a week ago, I found here your favor of the 3<sup>rd</sup> March, and intended last evening to have written to you and transmitted my letter under cover to your mother, when, to our agreeable surprise Henry arrived and informed us that you were at Knoxville. We should have been happy if you had accompanied him; and hope as soon as you have given a reasonable portion of your time to your mother and relatives at Knoxville you will come to us. You know this is the season when Ashland looks most attractive.

Henry is thin, but his health otherwise appears sound. I am glad to observe that he is more weaned from home and more attached to Kentucky. He even thinks of purchasing a farm in this neighbourhood, and we purpose this evening or tomorrow to go to look at one. We should be delighted to have you in our neighbourhood; and I think you might both be very happy here.

I had designed a long journey for Anne and yourself Mrs. Clay, Henry and Mr. Erwin this summer. It was to leave here early in July and go to Niagara, Quebec, Saratoga and Boston. But he has confirmed my apprehensions that you would not be in a travelling condition, and I fear Anne may be in a similar predicament. If you can't go (which I shall greatly regret) Mrs. Clay and I will have to leave you.

My health was not good after the adjournment of Congress. It has improved since, and I trust will be re-established by the quiet and good nursing of Ashland. That of Mrs. Clay and the rest of the family is good.

I wish you would write to Anne, if a letter will probably reach her prior to her departure from N. C. and tell her that her