

  
Louisville June 3<sup>d</sup> 1851

Dear Grandpa,

I acknowledge the receipt of Kitty Glover by the Sea Gull and must inform you that the very sight of her surprised me as she was so fat. I awoke yesterday morning with the intention of going to the boat for her when I was told she was at the stable.

In your last letter to Uncle you told him to tell me that my poney was in tolerable good order, I think your horses are very fat if that is the case for I believe if she had been pedoncous hard plumpkin and tart (as she will eat any thing) she would not have been fatter.

Uncle received the hams yesterday the bill of lading said "Boxes in bad order" but they looked very safe. Uncle received yesterday a small lot of hemp to be proved.

I am very much obliged to you for the halber which you sent with the poney and also for paying her fare down as my purse was not bountifully supplied.

My sincere love and affection to Grand ma, you, and Uncle John

Yours truly  
Thomas Julian Smith Clay