

Ashland 2^d June 1884

Mrs Clay,

My Dear Wife,

According to promise I write to you to day although I wrote yesterday.

Lula & Josephine arrived yesterday morning about 10 o'c. And Lula has tidied and made the house look bright and comfortable. She makes nice rolls every day which are excellent, and she & little Jose could not be more kind and attentive to my wants & comfort.

Mary came home got other apparel & is again at Dr Peter's. I do not know what is the attraction.

Our equine family are tolerably fair now. The Plashes cuts 8 qts of oak daily & is in good spirits. I cease the quinine from to-day. I have no answer yet from ^{Mr} B Harper about Ginger Pop. But have written him again.

I hope and trust you and Nettie have arrived at Independence. Don't let the real estate agents fally you.

Most affectionately

Love to Nettie & children joining

John M Clay