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My Dear Lin

Your kind letter was received some few days ago, in which I was much gratified to hear from you, but at the same time, sorry to hear your complaint, of being not very well pleased with your new situation, you have not here there long enough to form many acquaintances and probably the fewer you have the better unless they are of the right kind. I would advise you, to remain steady at your business this winter, if you will do so, and be economical, you will be able to make a visit to Kentucky in the Spring, you must not think hard of me, for giving advice if I felt no interest in you, I would not say a word, I hope you are aban don the idea of joining the "Volunteers", for ^{the} Mexican revolution should be to long, to hear of your doing so before this reaches you, - you will have seen Mr J Church, who has arrived from Kentucky and is going to Austin, in company with several young men, from Frankfort, probably

Dear Amalgamated
Decr 12

Mr Lin, I Box,
Austin,
Texas.