n.d. James Croton to [Daniel Croton]

silent ~~on that head~~; Never, to much as
taking the least Notice of what I write
him on the subject. If you have no
Objection to the measure yr self, I would
have You press him to come to some Deter
:mination, or if he Will not, tell him
You are Resolved to come yr self. I would
not by any Means advise You to any
of conduct, contrary to, or with the Direction
of Our Brother, ~~but~~ if I was not fully
convinced it would be highly to yr
advantage, I am sure, he himself, if he
consider the matter, will agree with me
for more Reasons than One; independent
of other motives, that one of yr Succe
ding me in the management of the
Business here, Ought to have some weight,
as I am Determined, absolutely Determi
ned Not to stay here many Years, and
its very certain, a great difference is found
when Business is managed by factors, instead
of persons who are interested in the Succe

as partners: ~~The Reasons I have laid down~~
~~Just then, if you can Over come in me~~
~~Decisively the highly honorable and Good~~
~~the Influence they are Regarded with the~~
~~Business here, to become a Partner, in~~
~~the Business and Make the Alteration of~~
You may Believe me, when I tell you, I
Really carry my Views in this Matter
farther than Just merely consulting
my Own ease and convenience: ~~in this~~
You no doubt have acquired some Know
ledge of the Business at home, from yr
having been in the Compting house for
some time past, which, ~~with~~ joined to
what you might acquire here in a
few Years, would give you a much better
Opportunity of choosing for yr self when
you come of age, than if your ~~head was~~
~~to be to depend~~ Knowledge was more
confined; ~~[illegible]~~ an advantageous
connection might also be much more
easily made, and a share in a profitable
branch of ~~business~~ trade, be the consequence