corn either husked or unhusked and shells or threshes it with the greatest facility and despatch –
It goes with two horses; and 1 man with 3 or 4 boys –
The cylinder is 2 ft long & 13 inches in diameter
and there are short flat teeth in the cylinder & concaves
of which there are two (or one in 2 pieces) each on springs.
You had better come & see it, but meanwhile, if you have
time to write me, I shall be happy in return to answer
any questions on that or other subjects – I think he will patent –
I fear my letter will puzzle you not a little, as I
have written in the midst of conversation and un-
der the hurry of gentleman starting for town –
The old lady is as well & happy as ever she was,
and the rest well – I hope to hear that
cousin Nancy has thrown aside her crutches
and that you are all enjoying the inestimable
boon of health –

Yr friend and relative
J. Tilghman

To Col. J. Tilghman