Dear Sir,

Being anxious that Robert should learn French as early as I can get him instructed, and there being now an opportunity with Mr. Carnes in Centreville I think it probable I may be desirous of removing Robert some time soon after the first of March next. I take this early opportunity of mentioning it to you to prevent the refusal, if one should offer, ~~[illegible]~~ in his place.

Yr. very Ob.
Thos: Emory
18th Jan. 1829.

P.S. I suppose it would not be material at what period of a quarter I should remove him; provided I determine to do so & not sooner than the time proposed. T. E.