Hicks' Ford, Sept. 12th 1859.

My Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your highly esteemed favor of the 1st of September, & an absence from home has prevented my answering it sooner.

Mr. Foreman has not yet been to see me, but as soon as he visits me, & I can arrange your matters for you, I will without delay, forward the amount of L. Belfield's sale to the Franklin Bank in Baltimore, in accordance with your wishes. I hope he will be over between this time, & the Newmarket race, where it would give me great pleasure to see you.

The Queen left Belfield this morning for the "Cross Keys races" in Southampton County, Virginia. She was moving very well, having recovered from her lameness occasioned by being "halter cast" a few weeks since. She looks very well, & may be a shade too high in order, but she has taken her work regularly & fully, except for a few days, after the "halter cast, when she was lame. I regretted the little accident perhaps more on account of its retarding her preparation, than for