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Dear Sir

I have been some time in rec<sup>t</sup> of your letter dated in June but an anxiety to enclose you the amount of Charlottes Children has induced me to postpone from time to time writing, the current expenses of my plantation has required during the year all my cash, and though Money Brokers abound in Hatching they dont part with their money without percentages I dont like their terms, and some time since bargained with myself to let them alone, I enclose you a check for \$300, a part of the first proceeds of present crop I have this moment received it an though you may pronounce it imprudent to remain long enough to write a short letter in a Town where the yellow fever exists yet such is the fact, Hatching is present afflicted with that fatal disease and on the first alarm the inhabitants all fled and their remains in the Town but few Subjects for it to prey on there is not a Magistrate in Hatching or I would enclose the certificate of the time of Jim Newmans Death, I shall write