

Clinton Hall, Jan 25<sup>th</sup> 1832.

Dear Sir.

I have only time to write you a short letter to beg you to send an immediately our note to go in Bank. I am seriously afraid it will be noticed.

I have seen the proposition of Mr. Brookhart to restrain manumissions, which will be in effect to prohibit them entirely. You know my sentiments upon this subject and we have called a meeting to take place next Saturday to embody our objections in a memorial to the Legislature. As the subject is deemed by us to be vitally important, we expect to speak plainly, warmly though I hope respectfully our views and determinations in regard to it. When matters of conscience become involved in the legislation, they must be worse the slaves who will be silent. I will however remark in anticipation of our memorial that the second clause of the bill makes no provision to whom the negroes hereafter becoming free shall do service unless they leave the State in the prescribed number of days. I hope the State will not claim them; for if they cannot enjoy freedom, they should return to their former Master otherwise great injustice both to the slave and the Master would be the consequence. Our memorial I think will contain some propositions on the subject, which may form the basis of a compromise between the two rival interests. Your old neighbor Doct. W. T. Higginold died a few days since.

In haste very respectfully  
J. M. Kupper