As it respects those negroes of Hardesty's; you need be under
fears; as far as my agency is concerned; I intend to stick to him
as close as his skin. I shall be in the neighbourhood some d
before I bring them away. I intend to put them on board on
tuesday week. in towns boat, it arrives at the end of the
slate tobacco warehouse about 10 O'clock the same evening
and you will please be upon have a cart or two in readiness so that there
be a time when they have all left the wharfs — and I can go
to look after things; that fund at that time — with regard to
outfit there is no doubt but they will be bare enough
for he will give them nothing. I expect not so much as a
provisions for the way — The men are all farm hands & in
number of women & children — you had better order the
ware cups & plates & dishes — smoll has furnished us before
& he will do it as cheap as any — and always gives us something
there will want a few wash tubs — the rest I perhaps shall
have time to attend to myself — if you should not have
bought your blankets; I can get them at John W Richards
& he always give us something

Nathans wife has signified her intention to come this fall
if so she will come with Goodwins people — but I think
that is uncertain — I think it is likely that there
will be a considerable crowd from St Marys next
fall. When the damp of old Jenny death is over — for the
laundre has been lately exhorting them all to follow
Mr Goodwin arrived about an hour before I got to their house
and all hands are at work on getting ready — having no
more to say — I remain very Respectfully yours

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