Now I shall try to tell you something about our lots
~~have~~ my fathers and my house is built to gether and both of
them to gether is twenty ~~two~~ feet by sixteen and the lots is
eighty feet in front and two hundred back we
have run growing in our lots cabbage ~~tomatto~~ lima
beans and potatoes our Mastic and castor oil ~~peas~~ melons
~~cannot~~ are just over My father salry for ~~the~~ keeping the
jail is twelve dollars per month and found we have
twenty chickens and one hog running in the yard I
have also twenty coffy trees coming on and two orange
trees which I hope I will have good luck with
if I do I intend to plant out more
Father wishes me to say to you would you
be so kind as to try to send him some garden
seed of various kind and Bunch beans —
particular But the would have to be put up
in ~~a tin~~ Box and soled up to come good
and wish you also to say to Mr Kunkel ~~to~~
please to send him a peice of leather and some
shoe thread
My family joines me in respect to you and
your servants and the rest of my colard friends
But not on their altrough they promise except
Mrs Neal she writes to mother my children
is quiet well and grows like pigs My uncle
Jacob and his family is ~~tolable~~ well But we
sorry that his sons wont come to Africa
as Respecting the Health of the colony there has
been but 10 death ~~the~~ since we have been here
but none of them died from the fever they were
principal very old people and children the old man
Bostick was one there is very little sickness in the
Colony at present not more than two or three cases
I hear of in the whole Colony of being sick
No more at present my ~~the~~ Lord Bless you is
the prayer of your
Humble servant Philip Cooper

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