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Yours duly forward with yours of the 10th inst. and am thankful for your attention in giving me the information it contains. It appears that the Columbian Bank stock is too downdrd however I make no doubt you found Genl Mason will avail himself of the first opportunity to comply with your order for the purchase of the ten shares, with respect to the mode & Bill I am well satisfied as thereby you will be enabled so far as it states to me) finally to arrange your affairs which I am satisfied you will not delay as soon as the state of your health permits as on that the welfare and comfort of my family so much depends you may readily believe that the consideration of it will be very satisfactory to my mind that I shall be occupied in devising means for their future welfare and prosperity I think I have now determined on a place for an immediate settlement and on one for a future residence as soon as I find myself equal to undertake such improvements as I should like on the meantime my place is to make a small addition to the premises on the premises to which I propose removing as early in the summer as circumstances will permit and I am now preparing as well as I possibly can to proceed with the necessary labour in the spring in which I shall endeavour to set a good example to the negroes unless perhaps you may think it will but even so I am sure it is a harmless vanity and one usually in some cases a tends to good purposes