Brooke Farm, April, 24th 1784,

Dear Sir,

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I received your kind Letter of the 20th Instant, at five o'Clock in Mattox, as I am Informd by Aron, the wagon sets out early in the morning, I beg leave to return you my Sincere thanks for your kind Introduction of me to Mr. William Potts, I shall be very happy, if Possible can manage my Finances, so that I may be enabled to be doing a little business with him in the west India way and I shall as soon as Possible, either write him or wate on him in Person, the last of which I think most proper, altho Mr. Thomas Contee, was with me on his way to, Baltimore, where he and his Family are gone to live, and I have Ingaged with him, to Send me one Hd. of Rum and one Barrill Sugar, not knowing of your kind friendship, but this is nothing, as I well know Mr. Contee will get the Rum and Sugar of Mr. Potts, besides many other advantages, might be made by a connection with him, I dare say you think so, for which I am much obliged, and to both our mutal advantages, I must if Possible, be doing of something, besides digging amongest my worne out Hills Especially, as it seems to be your wish, that I should do something for my Son Benjamin, and agreable to desire

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Mr. Benj. Stevens
Brooke 24th 1784

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