the appointment, given here must be equal to $3,600 for the first year!!! I am truly sorry to hear of Miss Betsy Caudle's indisposition - Harriet John a spare Room or cannot be procured over the Coffee Room? I can Breakfast Dine & Lodge at Flowers in a private way - he is said to be a decent Lodge - little will serve me - I do not propose to be there for the Convenience if attended by the Card Club he assured Betsy would be in my Neighbourhood & I could easily hobble over to see you & the Children & then away at a short Notice then I should lodge very under the same Roof with a certain Gent. whose Society however agreeable to many others never was so to me - my love to all

I would almost wish ~~light & the Coach~~ probably shall send back every my letter

Yr. affect. Parent
Tho. L. Lee

Desire John to read what is written in the Cover

Sunday Morning - so far I have with the blessing of God, I have kept a pretty strict fast - one dish of Tea with but little Cream & dry bread for breakfast & Supper - & with his Grace I hope to persevere -

Ask Yr. brother John to Answer this immediately more particularly let him attend to what is in the margin - I expect to hear from him on Wednesday Morn. at farthest ~~[illegible]~~ or at Sunday - that I may look out ~~[illegible]~~ for other purchasers

Needwood March 2. 1816
Saturday afternoon

1040

Dear John,

I called at the Post Office this forenoon & had the pleasure to receive your & Elza's letters of the 28th. brought by this days Mail - I thank you for the information respecting Clover Seed - most of what I made for Sale is still on hand - the old Quaker would have taken it but he had little or no Money & what he had was of the worst kind - his Credit is entirely destroyed - several are in pursuit of him on acct. of Sales made this year, for my part I had enough of him last year - two others engaged Seed of me but did not come for it - For any thing above $10 I would venture to send mine to G. T. - for Ten D.s & fifty Cents or even 40 Cents I would certainly send my Waggon ~~to~~ down as soon as Ben returns from Baltimore, he went off with his Sons Harris & Philip & both my Waggons yesterday Morning & carried 29 Barrels of Flour & will probably return Wednesday Night, or Thursday ~~nig~~ next about Mid day if nothing happens I would send him off on Saturday Morning or Monday Morning following with 24 Bushels of fresh ~~clean~~ & good Clover Seed - that quantity may be increased to 28 or 30 Bushels if I had any encouragement to get more out of the

Ed. can't to get from us will take 24 bushels of Clover Seed if Car delivered before 15th Sept.

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