

Ashland April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1832

Dear Father

I received yesterday a letter from you and one from Thomas; He writes me that he has not corn to plant, and desires us to send him ten barrels from Ashland, in sacks; which we have determined to do, believing that it will meet your approbation. The frost of last winter affected the germ of his corn, and all in that country, so that it will not come up; and he thinks that, from the neighbourhood of Louisville, no better than his own, this will account ~~part~~ for his desiring particularly that grown at Ashland. It will be expensive to send it, but his loss would be much greater; and this, I suppose, may be a sufficient consideration for complying with his demand.

I have been out today to see poor Theodore. It is indeed a duty to visit him, which nothing but his own opposing welfare could induce me to forego. I once thought his malady of a transient nature, and that rest and tranquility would soon restore him. I was then unwilling to disturb the progress of his imagined recovery; but now that I am fully aware of the extent of our affliction, it will be an alleviation to visit him and render him all those attentions which may be offered by a brother. It is very painful to me, my dear father to tell you what Thomas Hart has asked me to do, that both your letters have produced the greatest excitement