Lynchburg Mar 4th 1857

Dear Sir

Since I last wrote you we have had two or three weeks of the most beautiful spring weather that I ever saw at this season of the year. Early crops this year will do, and yours is very early. Your corn is all up except a little in the bottom and that is coming up. More than half the whole crop has been plowed over and worked out and Mr Page is making preparation to plant cotton this week. Everything looks well at Evergreen and from all I can learn is doing well.

Ann gave birth to a child since you left which died a few days after. I knew not of its birth or sickness until after its death, if I had I should have gone to have seen it. I have since told Albert and Abram that if anyone was sick hereafter before your return to let me know it.

I know of nothing else that would be of interest to you.

Very Respectfully &c

Benj E Roper