

Lewisburg April 21st 1840
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I take this opportunity of writing an answer to your letter. I received it on the 14th of this month; I would have answered it on the 18th but I had to go on an errand and did not get back untill some time in the evening and then it was too late. And I wrote it on the night of the 23^d, being rather bad and as the mail does not go out untill morning, Cousin Jane told me I had better write it over. You say you have written two or three letters to me and have not received an answer to any of them. I have answered all of your letters except one, it is true I liked to have forgotten it, but I was going to write, but you did not think I was. Uncle Henry is in Louisiana and has been there sometime. Mike's and my school began on the 13th of this month and Malinda's will not begin untill to morrow. Malinda and myself did not go any place this vacation, but Mike went with Morand Mrs Crockett and children in the country about nine miles and staid a few days. This session I am studying Latin and Geometry; Mike is studying Dictionary, Geography, Spelling and Reading, we both write. Aunt Agatha's brother (Mr Isaac Estill) came here on the 10th of this month from Winchester (Va.) and left on the 19th for Washington city. Cousin Margaret will be up here this summer. At the first of vacation Uncle Henry told Mike and myself that if we would grub a piece of ground (about an acre) he would give us \$5. We did a part of it, and he said he would pay us for what we did. Mike wants to know whether Mother receive his letter or not, and wants to know what has become of his Carlo that was a parry,

when we left home. The last time we were at Uncle Madison's (where) was last fall we enjoyed our selves very much. We fished and eat watermelons most all of the time. They had some very fine ones there and a great many of them. They were the finest I ever saw since I left Texas. We eat about a wagon load our selves while we were over there. We caught some fine fish too. One night we set some 20 ood hooks and the next morning we had four cat-fish and two large hornheads. The election took place on the 23^d of this month. There were three Representatives for this county, viz. Mr. L. Gallison (whig) Capt D. Hannan (whig) Mr. John Caldwell (dem.). Mr Caldwell was elected. Sesion before last we had medals in our school. One large silver one and several smaller ones washed over. The scholar that received the most little ones in a week received the big one a week; and the one that received the big one the most during the sesion received a Premium. I received the Premium. It was a beautiful moro-bound book, one of Milton's Poems namely Paradise Lost. We do not have any medals this sesion nor did we have any last. Malinda received a letter from sister Catherine the same time I received yours. And she also received one from sister Margaret not long before. They were all well both in Huntsville and Elizabeth city. When you come back from your trip, I want you to tell me all about it when you answer this letter. Have you heard any thing from Uncle Nelson lately, when you see him next tell him I send my best love to him. I want you to tell me whether father is making any sugar or not; and I want to know whether father has moved into that new house which was nearly done when sister Elen wrote. Aunt Agatha is nearly done making garden. We will have a fine crop of fruit this year if the frost does not kill it all, for the trees are full of blooms. Mrs Weir sent a Lewisburg paper to brother John containing the obituary of her son (Mr Robert Weir) who was brother John's schoolmate. Excuse me

writing for I have not got a very good pen. Give my love to all
and except the best love of your affectionate brother
Alexander McErsline

(P.S.) Did you not receive a letter from me when I had the
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Mr. M. A. Erskine
 Mr. A. M. Erskine's Compliments to Miss A. T. T. Requesting the
 pleasure of her company to a water-melon

A. M. Erskine's

Accepted

No.

A. M. Erskine

Dated Sunday Apr 28th 1846

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