

Wed. 19<sup>th</sup> May 1836.

My Dear Thomas

John is still confined by his fever, which is very stubborn. He has not at present any dangerous symptom, but of course my solicitude about him is extreme. The fever was bilious, without inflammation, but it has become typhoid. Dr. Hutt is his attending physician, and Dr. Linn and Leason his consulting physicians. They agree perfectly in the course of treatment and assure me that they think he will recover. I wish his mother was present with us to assist in nursing him, but he does not suffer for nurses; and many offer to sit up with him at night on whom I have not called. Henry keeps sitting up half of the night, which he has done for the last three.

I recd. your letter of the 9<sup>th</sup>. You mention that you have not stock for your traps. It is much better to have too much traps than too little. When I go out, we will make some arrangement for supplying you. In the mean time if you could get 15 or 20 four or five year old Steers to fatten on traps and sell this fall, perhaps it would be well. Perhaps May Smith could assist you in procuring them. If you cannot get any, and you find that I am overstocked, I would be glad that you would take some of mine, for which I would pay you.

I have sent two blooded mares to K. and they are now on the way. They are both supposed to be in foal by Doby the imported horse that I am to get after the present season. On their arrival, I will thank you to ascertain from Vernal whether either of them was horsing on the journey. If either of them was, or should show a want of the horse after their arrival, I will the imported mare sent to Beland, and the other to Elamboul. They are both Browns, but the imported