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Matobuz, March 26th 1857.

Dear Henry

Your letter of 23^d instant was duly received and I perceived by it that you had not received mine of the 22^d. John went over the river yesterday. He saw Mr Ledinham he said that he had not sold but half of his crop of cotton and had not the money but when he got the money and was working on this side of the river that he would send his son with it and take up his account. He also saw Mr Benham and he was ready to pay but before he did so he wished his overseer to certify to it. but John could not find him and at it became late he had to leave for home but left the account with Mr Mitchell his wife you will find inclosed Mr Mathew Singleton's account. She will be found at Mr Atkins place. Mr Turner said that it was his fault that the account was not paid before he thinks that she will get another gin. there is one of the same in the new gin that is worn half in too she says that he will send the gin over ^{to her} ~~with~~ ^{and also} another old gin providing Mr Singleton don't get a new gin as you did not get my letter in due time and for fear that you may not as yet received it I will mention a few items of importance that I

attended to at once if you have not some for some
three hundred dollars in Messrs Adams and Frost have
subject to my order and also the money that I have
borrowed from William M. Benton wrote to me and
I sent you a copy in the letter that I wrote you Mr
Murray's accounts and order was presented to him last
Friday and he was to send his note when he sent to
the post office but he failed to do so. I want you
to get me a half doz. wedding shoes No 3 get two hand
saw from Meadys for the shop I want you to get me
a bag of guano the above articles and instruction was
stated in the other letter I mention the same for call you
should not have received my other letter we are all well
as usual give my respects to all my friends

Yours Father
William Ellison

Stateburg. March 26
Dear Henry

as I have repeated the instruction
in father's letter of 22 it is necessary that I should repeat the
same for you of 22 I wish you to draw the amount of
three hundred dollars that you will see in W. S. Ellison Savings
Bank Book with all the dividends and surplus dividends
that it have drawn since deposited place it with the
money that I gave you and my other money in the