

Monday April 20th 1829.

My Dear Father

I have barely time to inform you of the recovery of Julia & Claudia. Julia began to mend from the time you left here, & is now playfully engaged in the occupation of teaching school to Claudia, who has recovered sufficiently to receive her instruction. Little Claud. was taken violently ill with a hot fever the Tuesday evening after you left here, which you have doubtless heard from Mr Deal, she however improved rapidly & was again running about in a few days. On Saturday Mrs visited Mrs Milledge & carried Claudia with her at which place she was again taken with a considerable fever, from which she has recovered, it is to be hoped ~~she~~ will not relapse again.

The last mail brought a most flattering letter from Old Mr Johnston, in which he expresses a double confidence in the undertaking, from what he had when he left here. The Machinery, he says, can be purchased a great deal cheaper than he anticipated, it has been offered to him on moderate terms, but he wants to visit some more of the shops here if he can do better.

He concludes his letter by exhorting the Stockholders
to dispose of any of their Stock, "for," says he, "we will make
money just as fast as we ought." I would copy the
of the letter but Major Walker has it at present, I
however send it by Mr Shaw to Franklin if he goes.

The Family are all well, who (with Mr part
(only) desire to be remembered to you -

Believe me your dutiful

A. Clayton. Jr

Mr requests you would write whenever you have
an opportunity -

in great haste

A. Clayton. Jr

One remark of Mr Johnson I like to have forgotten
viz, that this Manufactory will go into operation on
cheaper terms than any he has ever known, which is say-
ing a great deal.