Confidential

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 11th is at hand, I regard to all these
line, I am ready for them. Historical Society you dont
mention, is it not best to reincorporate it? When is the
Plant property to be sold? I am an undivided owner
with the Plant Est, an easiest way to divide is to buy or
sell, I hope sale will be delayed until spring when
I can be at home, In regard to will I had not given
it much thought, supposing the laws of the state says
the best will a man could have, and perhaps that is
so, if he has no more property to leave than I had when
I came to that conclusion, it may be wise for me to
make a will, I am entitled to think it is, but
again arises a difficulty, I dont know what to do
with my property in framing the provisions of a will.
My Wife owns the house we live in + 75 acres of the farm
and owns Stocks enough to give her an income of $3,000.
besides the farm, hence she dont want any property,
I have five children, it would not benefit them to
give them more than $100,000 each, lines left after
half is disposed of, The February will probably absorb
$60,000, but supposing it to go to $75,000, What shall
I do with balance? I hope to do much good
with it, but I really dont know how to
despotic of it in a will so as to do the good with it that I should desire to do. It is clear that you have touched upon a subject that will furnish reflection for my mind; I therefore impose the ban of confidence upon what I have written. If you have any suggestions to make, you may state them out, for they will not have a particle of influence upon me unless they seem rational, and if they exhibit absurdity on your part, I will in turn assume them to be confidential.

All things appear pleasant in the Senate, and for us it is an improvement on the last, and I think it is also for the State. In the House Abbeys found upon us, in the chairman of the Canal Committee, but we are not without friends on the Committee, and in a fight. Thence I shall expect to be the victor, if not, I don't read men correctly: I come to the above conclusion with an acquaintance of more than three of the men. Location and other states are my index, so if I am right.

Hurry up those charters, I have much to do and want those small matters out of the way.

Yours Respectfully

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