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Lillard Family Papers, 1801-1925.

Correspondence, 1842

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Dear parents, I hasten to give you a short account of myself up to the present time. You know that on Saturday morning I left home. I arrived here safe. But, O I shall never forget the Sabbath that followed. Here I was among strangers cooped up in my room, without a bible, without even a song book. I shall never forget that day as long as I live. At length however the day and night passed away, and the desired morning came, when we all marched into college, underwent an examination and returned home.

On Tuesday morning, after a very lengthy and able discourse was delivered, I was regularly initiated into the freshmen class. But I could not stand that, so in the evening after I had been to the Stage office, to see if my trunk had come, I walked down to President Malcom's house, paid my tuition fee, and

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Library fee and some others, which was \$21.50 cts,  
I chatted with President Malcom and Professor  
Furness a while, I received a note from the President  
to Professor Thomas, and on Wednesday morning,  
I entered the Sophomore Class, where I have  
remained.

But by the by, I have to tell you, that while  
I am writing you this letter, I am confined  
to my room, so that I cannot get out. A day  
or two before I started from home, I stuck a  
splinter in my foot just under the little toe.  
It has been painning me ever since, and my foot  
has swollen to such an amazing degree, that I  
can neither wear my shoe nor sock. and it  
pains me so that I can scarcely study.

I have been sick, but this evening I feel much  
better. But I feel sick in mind, for I am  
here now, <sup>as</sup> ~~at~~ one in prison, and what makes it  
worse, I have no bible. I think that I

could feel some what satisfied if I only had  
a bible and hymn book.

I wish that you would send my trunk here.  
I have great need of it. I have no place to  
put my bosoms and shirts.

O Remember me at a throne of grace, for I  
need the assistance of my Maker. O do not  
forget me, for I long for the pleasant  
society of home. Send to me, or write to me  
soon, for I feel some sick. Another, remem-  
ber me when you retire to your closet. Pray  
that I may be enabled to undergo all the  
toils, and come out from this institution,  
prepared for the work of the Lord. May the  
will of the Lord be done with respect to you  
and your. A faithful son. Give my respects to all.

Robert R Lillard

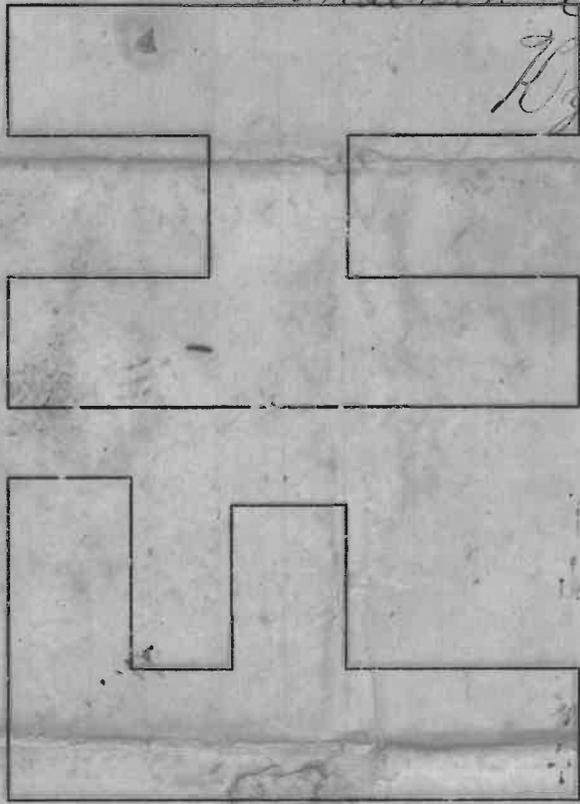
R. and M. J. Lillard

Georgetown

Send for me soon, for I can't get a house  
here.

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C. Lillard.  
Laurensburg

Anderson Co  
Ky.



Oct 14<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Georgetown Scott county Ky.

I am sorry that I have not had an opportunity  
of writing to you before now, but I have been  
so busy the last week, that I could not spare time.  
But this morning, having gotten all my lessons  
for the day, I have set down with pen in hand  
to call my thoughts once more to my home.  
And if it could be my I would not be severed  
from it. I would not now be communicating  
in writing, but verbally. But when I take all  
things into consideration, I feel reconciled to the  
dispensations of a wise Providence, who doeth all  
things for the best. For as he hath translated me  
from death to life and glory immortal, I consider it  
my indispensable duty to prepare myself for useful-  
ness in this course. And it is for this reason that  
I am banished from my home. But I rejoice  
exceedingly, knowing that ere long I shall be  
released from college walls to go forth, as I  
trust, by the help of God, my Saviour to proclaim

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a crucified Saviour to a dying race of mortals  
May that day speedily come. And may not  
my life be spent in vain.

I will now give you the news. The student,  
of whom I spoke, who I was home, as being, was  
buried the same day that I returned to the  
parental's roof.

I arrived here on Sabbath evening  
about Sun down. And was greatly astonished  
about such, to see the flames arising, I thought  
from the middle of the town, and surmounting  
the heavens, as it were, with a girdle of fire.  
Dense volumes of smoke arose, each one tinged with  
the hue of the flames, and the universal belief, at  
Pico Thomas, was, that the whole town was on fire.  
But it all turned out to be a factory, belonging to  
a man by the name of Sarcator, which being very  
dry and filled with hemp, herbs, &c. and the like,  
made a blaze, which at a distance was visible to behold.  
As well as it can be estimated, the tops sustained by

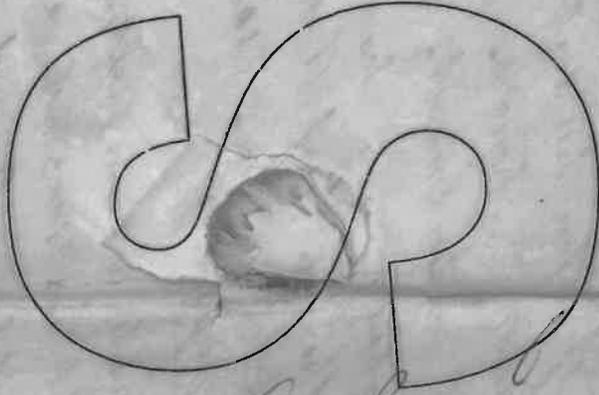
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The owner, is about \$3,000. No damage was done to any of the adjoining houses.

Yesterday General Deffenham, <sup>the Governor,</sup> was interred, in a spot of Ground selected by himself, before his death, with all the both military and Masonic honors. He was aged 75 years. He died with solemnity, with a firm belief that he had nobody any more, though he had been deprecating the name of Christ throughout his whole life. But I forbear. I have written what I have written at two sittings. Write to me often. And forget me not in your supplications at a throne of Grace. Give my compliments and best wishes to all. And tell them in my name to remember that time is short. Farewell

Your Son  
R R Lillard

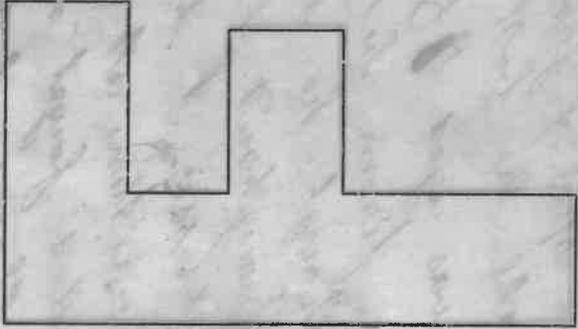
The college is flourishing. Numbers are coming daily. Brother Van Meter is teaching a singing school in the Baptist Church at this place. R R L



Gen. G. Lillard

Lawrenceburg

Anderson Co.  
Ky.



10 Sept 1842

Melmaison Pike Co Mo Sept 10th 42

Dear uncle your favor of the 9th ultimo, was received the 9th just which afforded me pleasure to hear from you though not in time to embrace your suggestions in relation to my Grand fathers sale. If he wishes me to have any thing it will be kindly received and profitably invested. please advise me of his wishes upon this subject from your letter I suppose he intends a general division please know of him whether or no he would require a power of attorney of me for those who are of age in Mo. If it is his wish to give us any of his means and if so when he would like me to come in these questions are necessary that I may know what course to pursue. If my Grand father designs giving my sisters and Brother who are not of age their share I will if consistent with his views buy land with it at government price enough upon this subject I can truly say that I was glad to get a letter from you though coughed in business still it has been so long since I have received a letter from you I have since I have been in Mo received just <sup>three</sup> letters from my Dear Mothers relations why it is has long been painful to me to me to conjecture I have always feared you were proscribing the bar for the fathers sake better as it may I have seldom for the last 12 years received any evidence of friendship give my love to your family with all my relations. and believe me

Yours truly  
Guel le Lelliois

Address me at Piquemore

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Dear father. I have nothing of much importance to say to you at this time. My health is very good. My spirits are high. This Session will close in three weeks. And the joyous thought of returning once more, to my long forsaken home, and spending a few weeks in the society of those I hold most dear, is indeed encouraging.

But if we are so delighted to meet for a short season here on earth, what rejoicing will there be, when we shall all meet in heaven, an unbroken family, to part no more. If we anticipate happiness in the company of each other, for a few moments here on earth, how great will be our joy, how great our happiness, when we meet around the throne of God.

My room mate, has moved, and is now boarding in town. I was very lonesome by myself for a while. I heartily wished that T. M. V. was here to room with me. Tell him to prepare himself for the next session.

Session will be out, Thursday before Christmas. I wish to come home on Friday. Send over on Wednesday or Thursday.

The bill of Professor Thomas, will be \$4. The general damage in college will not be one dollar. You need not send more than that. Cold weather here. Ice five inches thick. Ground frozen all the way to College. Be sure to send on Thursday. Farewell.

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Your obedient son  
Gen L Lillard R R Lillard

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Gen C Lillard  
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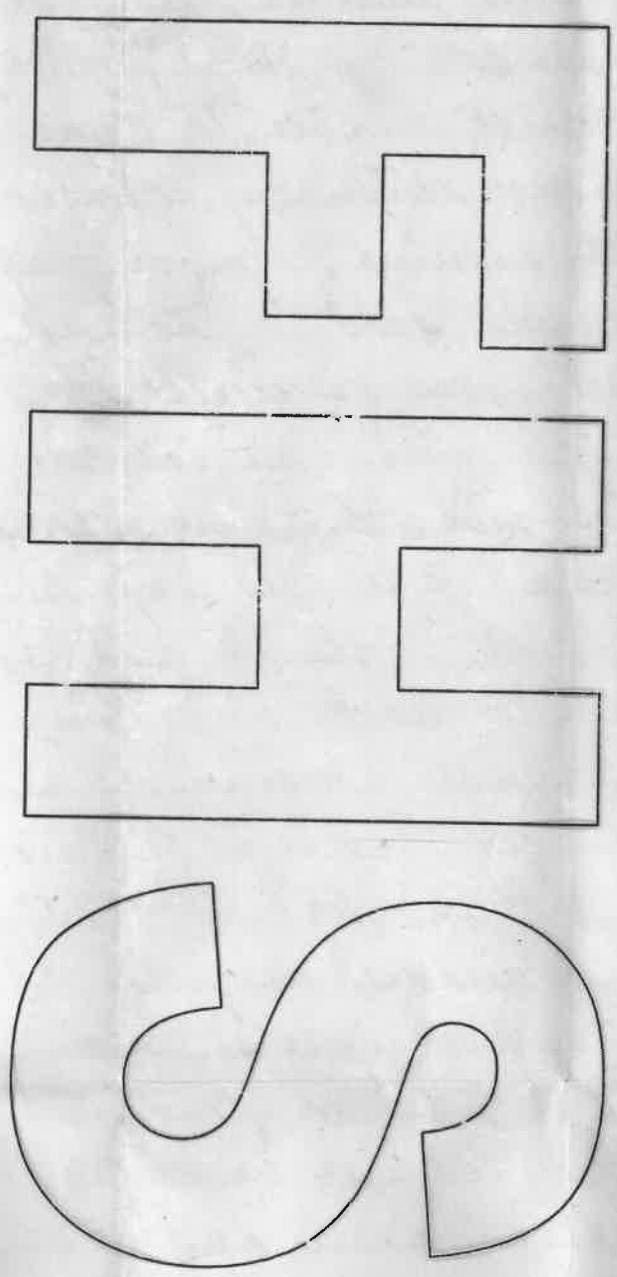
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Dear Malmaison Pike County Mo December 5. 1848

Uncle your favor was received in due time  
and contents noticed with pleasure If the arrange-  
ments can be made I should like to come in the  
last of next month upon the strength of your  
letter I have advanced to brothers William & Harlan  
each \$110.00 As William was just on the eve of  
moving up near the Mo. river I am author-  
ized to receive his Harlan's & what is due to Dr.  
Lawless little daughter. with my own making  
four shares It would suit me to get the amt.  
of these shares this winter if possible a letter  
from you by the 20th of next month saying the  
money is ready will enable to come in & return  
in time to pick & ship my tobacco in time to  
prepare for the ensuing crop or preparation for it,  
If the Land is not sold or is sold and the money  
not ready cant you or uncle Tho. advance the  
money to me If you can let me know the term  
or Discount. The other 3 shares in Mo. I do not expect  
the Guardianship of As my Father would not  
I think be satisfied with it Therefore I have  
concluded not to have any thing to do with it  
although I am well convinced it would be  
to their interest it could be laid out in Land  
at \$1.25 per acre & there that is really good. What-  
ever Sarah Ann Lawless may be I have agreed  
to receive and appropriate in Land I would not  
receive it upon any other condition if the price  
turn should be less it will be safest. Try and ar-  
range for me to come in and return by the 20th  
of February or I shall not be able to come at all  
after that time  
"As my presence is at all times necessary from  
Nov. till September, I have no news that  
will be of interest to you or any of our  
Friends except that all are well; so far as

I know Pork is worth 1.25 wheat 90 hemp 350 to  
4. corn can be had at 10<sup>cts</sup> per bushel Tobacco will I  
think be a fair price say from 9 to 7 in quality  
I have 12 thousand I think 100 barrels of corn 100  
bushels Wheat to see the product of my farm  
corn and wheat & Pork I will not sell at the prices  
I hope for better prices Remember me to all  
Yours Truly  
Genl C. Lillard

Yours Truly  
J. N. Ginn



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