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1817 April 15. J. King, Knoxville, [Tenn.] to Dr. Benjamin C. Stout, Washington, Rhea County, Tennessee.

Awaits a letter from Stout. Gratified to learn his practice is doing well and must continue his exertions. Mr. Blain arrived here and seems to be an equal match for Stout. Must remain studious and especially attend public lectures. His own practice is about the same but he has found it necessary to be more studious.

ALS, 2 1/4 pp.

1817 June 3. J. Russell, Princeton, [N.J.] to Dr. Samuel Brown, Philadelphia, Pa.

Complains of a medical ailment, asks advice. Upwards of fifteen dissatisfied students have left Princeton. Brown's nephew [Orlando Brown] is well.

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

1818 Jan. 17. M. Hammond, Throgmorton to Dr. Samuel Brown, Huntsville, Alabama Territory.

Counsels him to trust in the wisdom and chastisements of God. Discusses Brown's daughter's [Susan] education. Recommends Mrs. Phillips and states why. Her husband recently met [Preston] Brown.

ALS, 7 pp.

1818 May 3. Jno. H. Ka[in], Knoxville to Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Replies to Brown's letter regarding Lithographic limestone. Reports the types of limestone to be found in Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia, and Pennsylvania. Will forward him specimens of limestone from the vicinity. Prefers to send it to Baltimore because the mails are so uncertain between Philadelphia and Knoxville. [Signature partially obscured due to seal.]

ALS, 2 1/2 pp.

1818 May 22. H. Newman, Huntsville, [Ala.] to Dr. Samuel Brown, n.p. [Huntsville, Ala.].

Forwards to Brown by Mr. Ware a letter for Mr. Lloyd. If Brown wishes to purchase Mississippi stock in Boston contact Payne & Co. who can supply it on the best terms.

ALS, 3/4 p.

1818 Sept. 3. J[ohn] W[illiams] Walker, Oakland [Madison Co., Ala.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, New Haven, Connecticut [forwarded to New York then to Philadelphia].

Comments on Brown not writing. Congratulates him on

his "new dignity of Methodist Bishop - Ware on his degree of M.D. - and the Minister to the Emperor of all the Russias on the cudgeling which he did not get from the hands of the Cherokee chief." A knowledge of the tribes visited is absolutely essential. Brown's intended letter for Miss Casey was never written; anyway, it could not have been delivered since she is in Savannah and would not have been able to run away with him. More goods are in Huntsville. Some contracts for the growing cotton crop have been made at 20 cts. [a lb.] for half cash in hand. Those who want to buy land at the approaching sales are making these deals. Percy and he are hoping for about 25 cts. The Lawrence Co. land sales begin next Monday. Don't expect to purchase any. Mentions some local news. Happy that Brown has placed Susan with Mrs. Phillips. Family is recovering well from various illnesses. [Seal tear affects three words.]

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1818 Sept. 23. M. A. Wolcott, Middletown to Dr. Samuel Brown, New Haven [forwarded to New York].

Please pay him a visit the next time he passes through Middletown on his way to Hartford.

ALS, 1/2 p.

- 1818 Oct. 23. J. Anderson, New York to Dr. Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Informs him he is filling a request by Brown's brother [Preston] to send him things "curious or rare." The request was delivered by Capt. Riley and he will carry the articles with him upon his return to Frankfort, Ky.

ALS, 1 1/3 pp.

- 1818 Oct. 28. E. P. [Mrs. Phillips?], Hartford, [Conn.] to Dr. Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Relays her and Susan's plans and intentions prior to arriving in Philadelphia or having him come get them there. Does not recommend Brown board in the same house with them lest she be censured. Should she pack Susan's summer clothes? Will bring her books. [seal tears affect several words.]

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1818 Oct. 30. [anonymous], Philadelphia to My Dear Sir, n.p.

Compares Great Britain and America, complimenting the latter, in a humorously sarcastic tone. His wife is having difficulty adjusting to America. [Written by an unidentified Englishman.]

AL, 2 1/2 pp.

- 1818 Nov. 3. Dan[iel] Drake, Cincinnati to Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

First intimation he had that Brown was in Philadelphia was upon receipt of a packet of letters that included two from him. Mr. Nuttall has not yet arrived and fears he may be sick. Should have already left Philadelphia. "Every

friend of science must say to Mr. N 'God speed you.'" Doctor Rogers has showed him a letter Brown wrote the former and perfectly understands Brown's remarks regarding his labors and character. Begins to feel a great desire for a medical school in the Western Country. The second Lexington attempt has proved abortive. The state of medical science is lower at Lexington now than it was ten years ago. Its population is stationary and entirely too small for a medical school. Level of medical science in Cincinnati is not much different but its population is rapidly increasing, and it is "better situated physically, morally, & politically, for a medical College, than Lexington." Convinced Cincinnati will be the Philadelphia of the West regarding medical instruction. Himself, Rogers, and Slack are arranging a series of lectures to primarily attract attention to Cincinnati and "feel the pulse of the public." To form a successful school must have doctors from outside Cinn. Have upwards of twenty doctors practicing in Cinn. Sacrifices must be made by them. Will encourage the emigration of such eminent men as are needed. Dr. Richardson would probably join them as professor of obstetrics and diseases of women and children if invited. Need a professor of anatomy. It is the most important position and wish it filled by an eminent doctor. Until then must be content to prepare students for the Philadelphia school. Will send many on to the Philadelphia school just as that school once did to Edinburgh. Succeeded in having a poor house built by the overseers of the poor and he and Dr. Rogers have been named to attend the paupers. Have also been appointed to attend to the garrison at Newport and all recruiting parties here. Students will now have ample opportunity of studying clinical medicine and observing surgery. Will Brown unite with them? His presence would assure their success. As professor of anatomy he would still have several months to pursue business and other medical interests. Already has a house the professors could stay in. Believes there will be no lectures in Lexington this winter. If a vigorous attempt is made in Cincinnati lectures will never be revived there.

ALS, 7 1/4 pp.

1818 Nov. 3. Coleman Rogers, Cincinnati to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Please send him any new medical books or pamphlets, especially on surgery. Very busy in his practice. Encloses the pamphlets written by Dr. Drake and Dr. Dudley. Believes their quarrel has ended. Heard while in Lexington that there will be no winter lectures there. The school has only three professors right now - Dudley, Overton and Richardson. Their own lectures in Cincinnati will begin next week. Intend to have a medical school incorporated this winter. Wishes Brown would join them as the professor of anatomy - the most important position in a medical school. No qualified person will teach at the Lexington medical school. Remember him to Dr. and Mrs. Caldwell. Hopes to see Dr.

Chapman soon; whom he is much attached to due to his kindness to him. Drs. Blythe and Fishback here last week. Believes they want to move here. Thinks Fishback will be called to take charge of the Baptist Church in Cincinnati. Does not believe Blythe will be called. Cincinnati contains about 11,000 souls.

ALS, 3 1/2 pp.

- 1818 Nov. 4. B[enjamin] Silliman, n.p. to Dr. Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Regretted not seeing Brown when the latter passed through town. Has taken the liberty of publishing the letter Brown sent him last summer on "bituminous substance attending the nitre of both Africa and Kentucky." Much obliged for that letter. It will appear in No. 2 [of Silliman's The American Journal of Science and Arts], now at the press. [Actually appeared in no. 1, pp. 146-148.]

ALS. 2 pp.

- 1818 Nov. 17. Dan[iel] Drake, Cincinnati to Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Have four men from Kentucky and three from other towns in Ohio in Cincinnati to attend their school. Equals the number of "foreign young men" that were at Lexington last winter. Others in Kentucky and Ohio have been said to be coming. If these do not they will have between twelve and fifteen. Next winter expect double this number. A Cinn. editor has taken up the cause of a Cinn. medical school. The accompanying paper contains a brief exposition of the superiority of Cinn. over other western towns. Will visit Columbus the first week of December to apply to the state legislature for a law of incorporation. Be pleased to have ideas on such a law and happier still to include his name as professor of anatomy. Let him know immediately if he will accept. Time not distant when the western country will provide numerous pupils. Do not solicit his cooperation in a "transient or insignificant undertaking." Mr. Nuttall has been here for three days. Has procured him a variety of information concerning the Arkansas and letters to the military and trading posts; the former six hundred miles up the river and the latter eight hundred. Has received Brown's letters for Nuttall and given them to him. He left this afternoon in a skiff for Louisville. Nuttall intends to winter at the military post six hundred miles up [the Arkansas]. Dr. Rogers is well.

ALS, 3 1/3 pp.

- 1818 Dec. 12. LeRoy Pope, Jr., Princeton, New Jersey to Dr. Samuel Brown, Philadelphia, Penn.

He was detained in New York by a "necessary cause" and not for pleasure as Brown seems to think. Letters from home state everyone is well. Making deep mathematical research. Tell him anything that concerns him. No news from college or society - "Due order and regularity is observed in both."

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

1818 Dec. 13. Dan[iel] Drake, Cincinnati to Dr. Brown, n.p. [Philadelphia].

If he thinks the inclosed paper is worthy of publication please hand it to the editor or publisher of the Medical Recorder. Would like it published in the next number. Did not go to Columbus as wrote but will go the first of January instead. Lectures are going well. Richardson is delighted with their proposal to Brown. He says no one else could attract students from south of the Ohio like Brown and his acceptance would assure the school's success. Richardson will accept the chair of obstetrics and diseases of women and children if offered but wants it kept secret for now. Hopes Brown will join them. Emigration to the western country is "astonishingly great" and a large class of medical students could soon be assembled. Could Brown please inquire after an inventory of surgical instruments a cutler is making for himself and Rogers in Philadelphia. Had ordered them through Dr. Dorsey but he has since died. They are much needed for demonstrations. Please send Dr. Rogers the new edition of Dorsey's Surgery and himself the second volume of Chapman's Therapeutics. Since Nov. 19 he has delivered twenty-one lectures on physiology. Will begin those on Materia Medica tomorrow.

ALS, 3 2/3 pp.

1819 Jan. 19. Tho[mas] H[ill] Williams, n.p. to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia

Comments on Coxe's memoir regarding India cotton importations and the taxing of fabrics made of foreign cotton. Such a prohibitory tax would benefit both the grower and the manufacturer. The proper discrimination at the custom houses might prove a great difficulty in such a system. James Brown arrived safely at New Orleans on Dec. 22. House of Representatives debating the Seminole War. As soon as that subject is exhausted expect a "violent proposition" regarding the Bank.

ALS, 2 pp.

1819 Jan. 22. Coleman Rogers, Cincinnati to Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Pleased to hear he plans to join the staff of the medical school in Cincinnati. Drake in Columbus and sure of obtaining an act of incorporation. Dr. Richardson will probably be the professor of obstetrics if he gets his diploma this spring. Please help him. Medical class seems happy with his teaching efforts in surgery and dissection. Hopes Brown will bring all the latest books on anatomy and surgery with him. Remember him to the Caldwells and all his Philadelphia friends. Expects Drake back tomorrow or the next day. Boarding costs for students are \$3-3.50 per week and \$4-\$4.50 in the best taverns. House rent is high here and family expenses higher than in Lexington.

ALS, 3 1/2 pp.

1819 Feb. 14. Dan[iel] Drake, Cincinnati to Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Enclosed a copy of the law authorizing their medical college. Hopes he will give them advice on its organization. Confident of its success. Plenty of students in the region to be attracted to a school staffed by able and efficient medical men. Good prospect of Cinn. becoming the "emporium of the sciences" for the West. Movement afoot to add a college to the Cincinnati Lancaster Academy. Persuaded it will flourish. A fine laboratory has been fitted up by Dr. Slack. His pneumatic trough is on Silliman's plan. Slack will teach mathematics and physical science. The collections of the public library and Western Museum Society will be placed in the Cincinnati College. Already an excellent grammar school of about fifty scholars in Latin and Greek under Slack's direction in the college. Plenty of schools for the education of children. Construction of a poor house will begin in the spring. At present the paupers, most of whom are hospital patients, are in a rented house. Have regular prescribing days, clinical remarks, etc. Interments in the potter's field are numerous. Their students procured three bodies in one night for hospital practice and dissecting room subjects. Probably have to supply a medical library themselves. Could charge students for its use to finance it. Should be getting books from Europe. Very much wants Brown's views and wishes on this new medical school. Students can be boarded and lodged for \$3-\$3.50 per week. One man proposed to do so for \$2.50 per week. Would like to learn more about the difficulty in the Philadelphia school that Brown mentions. Thank Dr. Cooper for sending his introductory lecture.

ALS, 9 pp.

1819 April 7. J. W. Walker, Oakland to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Profusely thanks Brown for his letter [in a humorously sarcastic manner].

April 19. [Continuation from] Huntsville.

Unexpected visitors caused him to lay the letter started on the seventh aside. A visit by his good friend Judge Tait and the illness of Mrs. Pope [mother-in-law] further delayed it. Reluctantly agreed to be named a judge. Not qualified and has not practiced law in five years. Will be happy to resign in favor of any qualified person who wants it. Talk for the last month has been of the election of members to the Convention. Candidates are campaigning hard. Barbecues, cock fights, whiskey, and circulars are all techniques being used. He has not campaigned at all. If elected fine, but refuses to "electioneer." Mary Jane excited at seeing Susan's portrait. Very much attached to her. Cannot yet stand to send Mary Jane away to school. Would practically be dead to him for ten years and learn things they might not approve of. Their present teacher at

home is not acceptable and will find a new one. If sends Mary Jane away in several years would like to place her with Mrs. Phillips. Will serve in the Senate if elected. Will take his wife and Mary Jane on an Eastern tour and place the latter in school. Can then visit her once a year. That of senator is the one position he desires but fears for his health if elected. Delighted Mr. Walsh is engaged is straightening out Europeans' mistaken notions regarding Americans and American institutions. [Seal tear affects several words.]

ALS, 11 pp.

- 1819 April 10. Thomas G[eorge] Percy, Belfield, [Madison Co., Ala.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Acknowledged receipt of the books and grape vines in an earlier letter. Hopes in time to derive pleasure from the latter. Thank you for so favorable a sale of his Florence stock. Got cash for it by Willis Pope. Forwarding stock to him by Hazard. Letter being carried by Major Hickman. Brown's plantation doing well and his overseer is a good one. Put 160 to 170 acres in cotton. Has had additional land cleared and will begin planting on Monday the 12th. He had his overseer commence planting on the 8th. Brown's corn crop will be 120 acres and has about 35 or 40 acres in oats.

ALS, 2 pp.

- 1819 July 13. Tho[mas] G. Percy, Belfield to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia [forwarded to] New York, care of James Brown.

Forwarded him by Samuel Cruse \$555 in Georgia paper, it being the best in the area. Has disbursed nearly \$3000 for him exclusive of the \$555. Put a note in the bank on Brown's account for \$3500 and can go 1 or 2 thousand more if necessary. This is possible because he is a stockholder. Fears the rust will harm their cotton crops. Rest of crops doing well.

July 15. [Continuation from] Huntsville.

Money very scarce. Land sales very slow. The [state] convention has received the plan of a constitution from committee. Hears it is pretty good and will be taken up next week. Walker is president of the convention by unanimous vote. Family is well. Another addition to it is on the way. Anxious for the portraits to arrive.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1819 July 19. [James?] Brown, Bordentown, [N.J.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Phil[adelphia].

Mr. Ware was in Trenton the day before yesterday. The Count has invited S. Brown and Ware to dine with him on Thursday at two o'clock. Has done what he should have in the Caldwell affair. Avoid offending him as he is your friend. If he opens up a medical practice and is associated with the medical school in Philadelphia he believes S. Brown will be successful. Could not do as

well on his land. James doing well. Will continue the saving system until October and shall then spend their small revenue during the winter. Sends him a letter of Ware's. [Portion of the last page and signature torn off and absent. Ware letter absent.]

AL, 2 1/4 pp.

- 1819 August 14. Ch[arles] Caldwell, Philadelphia to [Samuel Brown], n.p.

His letter of yesterday arrived this morning. The Kentucky mail of tomorrow will bear a letter of acceptance to Wickliffe and a long, detailed letter to Holley. Pattison will soon return to the city. Will go to New York soon. [Portion of letter torn off and absent, affecting several words.]

ALS, 1 p.

- 1819 Oct. 23. Richard Harlan, Philadelphia to Doctor S. Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Happy to hear he arrived safely at Pittsburgh. Passed this evening at Mrs. Phillips with Miss Susan and Miss Ellis. Mrs. Caldwell called while there. Sending Ware's letter in care of Brown. Mrs. Ware improved. Dr. Pattison has published his prospectus. His lectures will mainly consist of physiology and general anatomy, with little or no surgery. Few students have arrived yet in Philadelphia and a large number is not expected. Give his best to Dr. Caldwell. Will always rejoice in Caldwell's welfare, be happy to hear from him, and transact any business for him he can. Will never forget the many obligations he is under to Brown.

ALS, 2 pp.

- 1819 Nov. 22. Henry Miller, n.p. to Samuel Brown. Transylvania University [Lexington, Ky.]

Discusses his observations and speculations on various medical topics, particularly irritability and sensibility.

ALS, 2 1/2 pp.

- 1819 Nov. 26. Elijah Smith, Natchez, [Miss.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington.

Paid the taxes on Brown's land for last year but not yet this year. A severe fever is killing many people in Natchez and surrounding country. Among the deceased is Capt. Percy. Pleased Susan is doing well with Mrs. Phillips and thinks the change for Mary Ellis will do her good. Please inform him how Mary Ellis is doing and of her expenses. Crops in this country are generally good. The price of cotton in New Orleans is at sixteen to twenty cents. His wife has presented him with a girl, their first after five boys.

ALS, 2 pp.

1819 Nov. 27. R[ichard] Harlan, Philadelphia to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Believes Pattison will remain in Philadelphia and not come to Transylvania University. Like all novelties Pattison is popular right now. His lecture delivery is abominable but is a master of his subject. Death or resignation may yet secure him a post. Their alma mater [Univer. of Penn.] has sunk very far from its former position, perhaps never to be regained. Comments on Physick, Gibson, and Chapman. About 310 students are enrolled - eighty for the last course. Chapman stated he lectures to half the usual numbers of students and has it on good authority that professors at Transylvania receive no salary and depend on citizens' contributions to be paid. The numbers at New York's and Baltimore's medical schools are also down. Doctors Rush, Barton, and Parrish also lecture here. Believes he has discovered that the pericardium is transparent during life and opaque after death. Has also made discoveries regarding the Pyramids of Wistar and the number of vertebrae. Relates family news. Mrs. Ware is about the same. Give his best to Dr. Caldwell.

ALS, 3 1/2 pp.

1819 Dec. 2. C[oleman] Rogers, Cincinnati to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Has been expecting a letter from Brown as well as his good friend Dr. Caldwell. Supposes he has heard of the publications of Dr. Drake against you. Had no knowledge of it until he saw it in the newspaper and thinks it unnecessary. Advises Brown to ignore it as Drake is anxious for a reply. Cincinnati is very healthy and business is divided between at least twenty-five doctors. Nothing more will be done with the Ohio Medical School until it is ascertained how the Lexington school does. Sorry Brown and Caldwell did not visit Cinn. before associating themselves with the school at Lexington. Believes Cinn. offers more advantages than Lexington. Need more population than Lexington has to provide the patients and subjects necessary. If the school in Cinn. fails he has determined to give up his profession and retire to a farm. Studying medicine with more ardour than ever before. Ask Dr. Caldwell to write him and give him his best.

ALS, 3 pp.

1819 Dec 8. J. W. Walker, Washington City to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Thanks him for the congratulations upon becoming a senator from Alabama. Doing well. Has a warm, snug room at Dawson's, near the Capitol. Happy to hear Brown is successful at Transylvania. Will try to persuade Fearn to go to Brown's institution in Lexington if he sees him. Sorry Pattison and his museum are not with Brown. The resolution to admit Alabama to the Union

passed both Houses today. The President will probably concur and sign it tomorrow. Will send him printed Presidential and Congressional messages and documents that he thinks will interest him. The new halls of the Capitol are splendid but not constructed for utility. Difficult to hear distinctly in either [hall] and some alterations will be necessary. Of all the great questions before Congress the "Missouri slave question will excite the most heat, and is pregnant with the most fearful consequences." It is the most odious and dangerous of issues because besides separating parties it is increasingly assuming sectional or geographical character. Unfortunate it was not put to rest at the last session. The restrictions would have been defeated but the senate will stand by its earlier vote. The memorial from Maine requesting entry to the Union was submitted to the senate today. Will have tea with Brown's brother and lady on Friday evening next.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1819 Dec. 14. G[eorge] Gibbs, Sunswich, N.Y. to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Glad to hear he is doing well and he is injecting stimulus and discoveries into the college. Is he going to purchase Dr. Webster's cabinet? Heard that he [Webster] was deterred from joining Brown by the offer being limited to three years. Can give him additional information on Webster's cabinet if desired. Informed Dr. P[reston] Brown of his appointment in the Geological Society. Has been expecting minerals from both Samuel and Preston Brown for the Historical Society but not yet received any. Their receipt will be appreciated by himself and the Geological Society. He shall send him a statement of next month's proceedings of the Geological Society. [Samue] Brown has been appointed an officer of the society.

ALS, 1 3/4 pp.

- 1819 Dec. 19. J. W. Walker, Washington City to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Has received Caldwell's inaugural address. Thinks Caldwell has "hit Kentucky tastes exactly. He praises them enough; and that is what they like." Hopes he eulogized them into good enough humor to place Brown's institution on a permanent footing. Has no doubt that he will beat Drake and his learned goslings at Cincinnati. Cooper has been appointed to a chemical chair in South Carolina. Regrets Cooper is not one of Brown's faculty. Not much has been accomplished in Congress. Much is in progress and the business increases daily. The Missouri question has been postponed until the second Monday in January. They can expect two weeks of debate. He does not know what the House's decision will be. "The peace-folks to the East are most mischievously busy." The Committee of Compromise has not yet reported and few expect much good to come from it.

Has sent Brown the President's message and accompanying documents. Forsyth has deeply disappointed and mortified him. From his courtly, graceful, and collected manner he expected better things from him. Does not know what course Congress will adopt in relation to Spain. The same is true for manufacturers, and the question of revenue, prohibitory duties and taxes. Charles Pickney is devising a scheme for a national currency of paper. Predicts it will not succeed as everyone is sick of "Rags." Should stand still and the hard times will cure themselves.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1820 Jan. 8. P[reston] W. Brown, n.p. to Samuel Brown, Lexington.

Anxious to bring before the House of Representatives information regarding the progress of the better medical schools of Europe. Wishes Brown to send him a few notes on the subject as soon as possible. Col. Butler will use them in his speech Monday or Tuesday. Will help stimulate donations to the Transylvania University medical department. "Drake is a lost man." Respects his prudence in dealing with him, continue it and let others defend you. Fears Brown might have confided too much to Bledsoe concerning Drake. John Brown is again in the directory despite violent opposition. Often wishes J. Brown had gone to New York when he quit public life. Discusses a deposition Col. Percy sent him regarding the purchase of a horse.

ALS, 2 1/2 pp.

- 1820 Jan. 8. Nath[aniel] A. Ware, St. []? to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

On way to Philadelphia. Had been in Natchez. Shall take stage at Millidgeville. Might go to Europe next year. Smith has attended to Brown's land and paid the taxes. There is a British claim against his old place. Discusses it further and also a medical charge against the estate of Henry Daingerfield for \$75.

ALS, 2 pp.

- 1820 Feb. 3. Thomas G. Percy, n.p. to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

On Feb. 1, wife Maria was safely delivered of another boy. Has feared her terrible fevers would return but have not. Has suffered from after pains and some fever. Dr. Erskine says she is in no danger.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1820 Feb. 5. R[ichard] Harlan, Philadelphia to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Has not written due to health and a change of residence. Has sent to Europe for the books he couldn't get there. A professor from New York University writes that there are 160 paying pupils attending lectures independent of graduates. Dr. Physick is improving in his lectures. Still too broad a way of thinking. Physick

states he has operated successfully 35 times for strangulated hernia, 50 times for cataracts, and 13 times for stones. Jealousy daily increases toward the Scotchman who holds his own. Ware arrived in Philadelphia day before yesterday. An unfortunate man. Ware's children are well but his wife is only a little better.

ALS, 3 2/3 pp.

- 1820 March 1. Mary Beck, Lexington to Doc[tor] S. Brown, n.p. [Lexington, Ky].
Requests Brown to carry a present to his daughter.
ALS, 1 p.

- 1820 March 10. P. E. Foucher, New Orleans to Doctor Samuel Brown, Frankfort, Kentucky.
Happy to be home again. Very much enjoyed his three months in Lexington. Has urged his friends in the legislature to reform the education system and strongly advocated organizing an American College. They all seem well disposed toward it but fears there is not enough time left this session to achieve anything. The political medal has turned and the good side is now up. If Brown's brother James was here is sure he would be elected. As it is Robertson seems to be supported by the majority and will probably win. Continues to look upon Transylvania University as being of great value to Louisiana even though it is unknown to many and appreciated by very few. Will continue efforts to publicize it and convince fathers of the utility of an American education. Flattered to think they will give Transylvania preference over the Eastern colleges. Knows his opinion of the president [of Transylvania] and hopes to hear that the projected initiation has taken place. Remember him to Mr. Holley and family. Also Mr. Hunt, Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Morrison, and Dr. Caldwell and son.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1820 June 17. W. A. Leavy, Lexington to Dr. Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.
What should he do with a large trunk that arrived for Brown from Huntsville, Alabama? Had a very destructive fire in their neighborhood and only the best directed and most active efforts prevented even further damage.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1820 June 26. Charles Humphreys, Lexington to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Has had no luck selling Brown's house to Mr. Downing. Has also been unable to have any of the money owed Transylvania collected. Regrets this causes the University to be unable to pay its debtors. Brown's

young friends at his house appear contented and studious.

ALS, 1 1/3 pp.

- 1820 July 16. David Urquhart, New Orleans to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington.

Letter of introduction for John Meriser of Louisiana who intends to attend Transylvania University.

ALS. 1 p.

- 1820 Aug. 20. B[ernard] G[aines] Farrar, St. Louis to Sam. Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Letter of introduction/recommendation for a Mr. Walker who plans to attend Transylvania medical school. Has already studied three years with his uncle Dr. Walker and himself.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1820 Aug. 30. Ch[arles] Caldwell, Louisville, [Ky.] to Samuel Brown, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania [forwarded to Bristol Bucks, Penn.].

Feels it is his duty to inform him that Dr. Drake and his colleagues are making a desperate effort to establish their medical school in Cincinnati and have advertised a course of lectures for the ensuing winter. Drake and followers are their enemies and must not be despised or overlooked privately. Publicly can say nothing about them. This crisis requires that all return to their posts. He will return to his in a few days and remain until lectures are completed in the spring. Return as soon as possible. A lengthy absence might excite conversation and awaken feelings unfriendly to their interest. Brown's son and friends in Frankfort were well three days ago. James was "slightly affected by the poison vine" but not seriously.

ALS, 2 pp.

- 1820 Oct. 10. T[homas] G. Percy, Belfield, [Ala.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Relates family news. Contrary to its usual character October has proved very wet and poor for getting cotton in, but ahead of last year's pace. Brown has had about 50,000 [lbs.] picked and Percy about 44,000 [lbs.]. Believes both can expect 140,000 unless the bad weather continues. What are they to do with the cotton. He plans on using his to pay Mr. Ware. Has heard nothing from Ware despite sending him \$900. Brown has not yet told him what to do about sending him money. Bank notes and bills of exchange are quickly taken--at almost any premium. Let him know what he wants to do.

ALS, 2 2/3 pp.

- 1820 Oct. 10. Samuel Hogg, Nashville, [Tenn.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Letter of introduction/recommendation to Brown for

Robert Wynne. Wynne wishes to attend the winter medical lectures [at Transylvania University].

ALS, 1/2 p.

- 1820 Oct. 12. F. Varin, Philadelphia to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Asks Brown's advice on the advantages of settling in Lexington rather than New Orleans. If could expect to receive \$1000 per annum as a teacher of languages he would prefer it to the unhealthiness of New Orleans' climate, even if he should be paid \$2000 a year there. Could effectively teach ten to twenty pupils daily. Requests Brown to recommend him to the Bishop re: being appointed to the vacant church in Lexington. Would allow him to do the duties to which he was bred. What is Kentucky's stand re: alien lawyers being admitted to the bar and practicing. Could Brown lend him \$100 to pay half his outstanding expenses.

ALS, 3 1/4 pp.

- 1820 Oct. 18. Tho[mas] Fearn, Huntsville, [Ala.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Very flattered to be invited to possibly join the medical faculty at Transylvania but must decline at present. Practice going well in Huntsville and plans on staying for the foreseeable future. Describes his medical cases and how enthusiastic he is in pursuing the profession. Received Gibson's pamphlet today against Pattison; what do Brown's surgeons there say on the disputed subject?

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1820 Oct. 18. James Moore, Shelbyville, [Ky.] to Doctor Samuel Brown.

Letter of introduction/recommendation to Brown for William W. Meriwether, who wants to progress in medical science.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1820 Oct. 19. J. W. Knight, Shelbyville, [Ky.] to Samuel Brown, Lexington, [Ky.]

Letter of introduction/recommendation to Brown for William N. [?] Meriwether, who plans to attend the medical lectures in Lexington this winter. Attended medical lectures in Philadelphia in the winter of 1816-17.

ALS, 1/2 p.

- 1820 Oct. 24. Boyde McNairy, Nashville, [Tenn.] to Samuel Brown, T[ransylvania] University, [Lexington, Ky.].

Letter of introduction/recommendation to Brown for S. Cooper, who plans to attend the winter medical lectures.

ALS, 1/2 p.

- 1820 Oct. 26. D. Rawlings, Washington Ten[nessee] to all whom it may concern.
Letter of introduction/recommendation for Dr. Benjamin C. Stout.
ALS, 1 p.
- 1820 Oct. 29. Elijah Smith, Natchez [Miss.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.
Discusses the schooling of Mary Ellis. With her fortune it is imperative she receive the education and training to prepare her for "society and happiness in mature life." Will spend the money necessary to achieve that goal. Continues to pay taxes on Brown's Mississippi plantation and briefly relates news regarding it. A "malignant" fever has visited the Bay of St. Louis. Lists people "carried of[f]" by it. Capt. Farrar and daughter expected to recover. New Orleans has been hit by fever but is now healthy again. Natchez has been healthy all season. Cotton crops generally very good but the market opened low; 14[?] cts. is the highest price yet obtained in New Orleans. By latest accounts from Europe the price should rise. Let him know how the schools about Lexington are progressing as his children need an education and the prospects for getting one in their country [Miss.] is bad.
Postscript by Mrs. Smith relates further deaths in the area.
ALS, 3 pp.
- 1820 Nov. 1. William Schlatter, Neilsons Inn to Dr. Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.
Inquires for himself and friends as to the price and type of land in Florida around Pensacola and the adjoining area of Alabama; and in northern Alabama in the vicinity of Florence. Asks questions regarding the cultivation of cotton, corn, and grapes. Would not burden Brown with such questions except that he knows his zeal in the cause of emigration and his desire to make the real value of that country known.
ALS, 2 pp.
- 1820 Nov. 9. Joseph Buchanan, Cincinnati to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.
Discusses the advantages of establishing a penal colony in the West to replace the present ineffective penitentiary system. Cincinnati's medical school has not yet commenced due to the absence of the professor of anatomy and surgery, who is expected any day.
ALS, 3 1/3 pp.
- 1820 Nov. 13. Benj[amin] C. Stout, Lexington to Doctor Samuel Brown, present [Lexington, Ky.]
Thanks Brown for conferring on him an unnamed obligation. [Brown probably appointed Stout a medical

lecturer or professor at Transylvania.]

ALS, 1 p.

- 1820 Dec. 6. LeRoy Pope, Huntsville, [Ala.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Thanks Brown for his interest in and assistance with his sons, especially during the recent trouble they were involved in. Believes Brown is able to exert a good influence on them. They are good sons. Briefly discusses Alabama politics.

ALS, 3 pp. [part of p. 3 is missing]

- 1820 Dec. 15. Nath[aniel] A. Ware, Huntsville [Ala.] to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Has been in Huntsville about three weeks but made no purchase yet. The children stood the journey well. Brown's crops seem good; approx. 40,000 [lbs.] clean cotton but the price will be below ten cts. Glad to hear his school exceeds expectations. Shall look for a place south of the Tennessee River if does not find anything in Huntsville. Newling[?] writes that he has put up the vine cuttings they want. Inquires about the availability of other varieties of grapes. What annual rate Defour's brother could be hired at. "The French are doing nothing they say." The country [Alabama area] is in miserable condition in its medium and debts. Does not think three people in the country are permanently settled.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1820 Dec. 16. Helen C. Tennent, Belmont, [Va.] to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Reminds Brown of their friendship years ago and introduces her son to him. He is in Lexington to attend Transylvania University. Would appreciate Brown taking an interest in her son John's welfare and assist him if necessary.

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

- 1821 Jan. 9. Thomas G. Percy, Belfield, [Ala.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Has sold their crops [of cotton] to Samuel Hazard and Co. for 11 cts. [a lb.]. Believes it to be the best possible deal. Gives specifics of the sale and financial aspects of it. Has done nothing in the fields since Dec. 20. Heavy rains, the holy days, and now snow and cold have prevented field work. Several negroes have taken violent colds and some pleurisy. Mr. Ware and family are well. Received Brown's linsey and distributed it to some of the negroe [sic] women and children who were glad to have it. Requests Brown to purchase 600 yds. of the thickest twilled linsey and 400 yds of stout plain linsey before he leaves Ky. If he receives it before June the negro clothing can be made during a recess in crop work and much time will be saved

in the picking season. [Note of Jan. 11 states Percy] had planned to write more but is too indisposed.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1821 Jan. 27. William Maury [?], New Orleans to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Upon arrival in Louisville [Ky.] he found the roads so bad he took passage on a steamboat for New Orleans. Will return to Virginia in late march via Huntsville, Louisville, and Lexington. Discouraging news re: cotton operations, gives details.

ALS 1 p.

- 1821 Feb 19. J. G.[?] Bybel, Lexington, [Ky.] to S[amuel] Brown, present [Lexington, Ky.].

Mr. Wickliffe and he visited Dr. Holly [Holley] this evening on the contemplated business. After Mr. W left he and Holley retired to the library and discussed the affair further. Holley assured him he did not mean to disgrace him and thought him a just, honorable, independent, and praiseworthy medical student. Holley will take almost every opportunity to convey this to the other students. Bybel only fairly satisfied. Thanks Brown for his interest in him during this affair.

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

- 1821 June 13. J. W. Walker, Oakland [Ala.] to Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Relates local news from the Huntsville, Ala. area as well as his own activities in a humorously sarcastic manner. Comments on churches being built by the Presbyterians and Methodists; the state legislature; the State Supreme Court; weather; Brown's crop [cotton?]; and the postal service.

ALS, 3 1/2 pp.

- 1821 July 12. J. W. Walker, Huntsville [Ala.] to Samuel Brown, Philadelphia [forwarded to Bristol, Penn.].

Congratulates Brown on some unnamed good news. Relates news from the Huntsville area in a humorously sarcastic manner, the biggest news being the building of a theatre. Their cotton crops are doing very well. Relates family news.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1821 Aug. 27. Abraham S. Bartin, Lexington, [Ky.] to Col. Thomas G. Percy, Huntsville Alabama.

Invoice and note regarding twilled and plain linsey that Samuel Brown ordered for Percy. The goods are reduced to the specie standard; paper money fluctuates daily and is only used for transactions completed that day. Linsey will be shipped on Sept. 1. [The material was for negro clothes--see Percy to Brown 9 Jan. 1821.]

ANS, 1 p.

- 1821 Sept. 6. Thomas Cooper, Columbia, S[outh] Car[olina] to Dr. Samuel Brown, Philadelphia [forwarded to Lexington, Kentucky].

Does not see how Chapman can recover from the blow to his silly system of medicine by sympathy. Must prostrate his reputation. Chapman is and always was an "empty, arrogant, ignorant pretender." Discusses the possibility of being chosen president [of the University of South Carolina]. Will have a medical school there within two years. The extravagance of some of their young men at Philadelphia and New York will force them to start one and compel the legislature to provide aid for it. Glad Brown will likely prosper at Lexington but he must say he doesn't like the people there, nor their money. The people are bigots and their money unstable. Discusses prussic acid and how Dr. Davis uses it and how he makes it for Davis. Wishes Brown would move to Columbia. Together they could establish an excellent medical school appended to the college. Climate has not been as hot as Philadelphia. Tell Rafinesque that presently there is no room for someone with his qualifications in their college.

ALS, 2 pp.

- 1821 Oct. 24. N[athaniel] Chapman, Phila[delphia] to Samuel Brown, Lexington, [Ky.].

Letter of introduction/recommendation for Dr. McEwen, a recent graduate of the University of Pennsylvania medical school. He is visiting the western country.

ALS 1 p.

- 1821 Oct. 26. Richard Harlan, Phil[adelphia] to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Letter of introduction for Dr. McEwen. Happy to provide him with the opportunity to meet and learn from Brown.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1821 Oct. 26. Thomas G. Percy, Madison County, [Ala.] to Dear Doctor [Samuel Brown], n.p.

Percy and family arrived home healthy. A prosperous trip. His broken arm much better. On arrival home found a number of their negroes sick with dysentery and influenza. Celia lost her youngest child due to dysentery. Harner lost his youngest daughter due to illness. Discusses the letter from Mr. Barton [Bartin, see 27 Aug. 1821] regarding his bill. Encloses the letter. The linsey has not yet arrived. Walker has sold their land certificates at 50 percent for Tennessee paper and some notes of hand. Write what Brown wants done with his cotton and the amount of funds he will want for the coming year. Heavy rain in September injured the appearance of the cotton crop. Almost all wheat crops failed this summer. East

Tennessee only makes enough flour for home consumption so can expect nothing from that quarter. They are completely without flour and unless brought from the Ohio River to Florence [via the Tennessee River] doesn't know where they will get a supply. Thinks a cargo to the Ohio River would sell well, provided there is any good wheat on the Ohio, because he hears that the Kentucky crops are all sick. Mr. and Mrs. [J. W.] Walker left for Washington yesterday morning. Relates additional personal news. [Last page torn, left edge missing.]

ALS, 5 pp.

- 1821 Oct. 29. J[ohn] Revere, Baltimore, [Md.] to Professor Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Relates his recent medical endeavors and success he has had. Requests Brown to review his translation of Magendie's Physiology. Explains why he is doing it and its importance.

ALS, 2 pp.

- 1821 Nov. 2. P. E. Pendergrast, Louisville, [Ky.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, [Ky.].

Letter of introduction for Samuel Qurlermous, who plans on attending medical school in Lexington.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1821 Nov. 17. W[illiam] H[all] Richardson, Lexington to Proff. Brown, Keen's Hotel, [Lexington].

Acknowledges receipt of Brown's communication regarding his proposed donation to the medical school of a collection of anatomical preparations he purchased in Philadelphia. Richardson has met with the faculty and they are unanimous in accepting the gift with Brown's conditions. Deeply impressed by his generosity and valuable gift.

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

- 1821 Nov. 24. Thomas G. Percy, Huntsville to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Relates the news of the death of J. W. and Matilda Pope Walker's son Charles. Percy's own son Charles is quite ill. Has not yet written to Walker informing him of their loss. The linsey from Barton [Bartin] proved of very good quality but not as good as that Brown sent last year. Will be glad to see Brown's brother Preston and his daughter Louisa here.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1821 Dec. 17. H[orace] Holley, Frankfort, [Ky.] to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington.

Has the pleasure to inform him that he has not been "stoned out" of Frankfort; that \$20,000 has just been appropriated to Transylvania University; the bill has passed both houses and been sent to the governor; four

new trustees are added to the Board; and the biennial election given up. The preparatory drilling has been incessant and laborious.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1821 Dec. 20. J. R. Evans, n.p. to Samuel Brown, Transylvania University, [Lexington, Ky.].

Describes two cures he knows for the "obstinate intermittents."

ALS, 1 p.

- 1821 Dec. 28. Leo A. Bedford, Nashville [Tenn.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Inquiries as to a note on Grashon and Jones. Has received no response from him to a letter he sent him this fall. Asks how the school flourishes this season. Met brother Preston on way to the lower county and he was in good health.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1821 Dec. 30. Nath[aniel] A. Ware, Philadelphia to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Ware gives a detailed account of Florida land/geography and their agricultural promise. Many of the best lands belong either to the U.S. or the Indians and won't be opened up for three to five years. Not yet safe to bring negroes to much of coastal Florida due to pirates and wreckers. Shall go to Washington City and Virginia next week to price negroes and work towards a purchase. Inquires about the price Brown agreed to pay Richard Harlan for his museum and what he did as Brown's agent.

ALS, 3 1/2 pp.

- 1822 Jan. 9. Thomas G. Percy, Belfield [Ala.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Discusses their business affairs. Thinks Brown could get better deals in Alabama than in Kentucky, which would be more financially advantageous. First rate riding horses would sell well and bring top prices but that business is beneath the dignity of a professor. The Walkers learned of their son's death from an unknown source while in Philadelphia. Cotton selling at 13 cts in Huntsville. Could get Brown that or a little more. Will ship the best of the crops northward to Brown next summer. Sorry did not see Preston Brown but in Lawrence County unsuccessfully trying to collect \$2,000 owed him by Major and Freeman Petters. Generally thought they went to Texas, taking their negroes with them. Family is well. His crop will not pay his debts but he is not worried by it. Brown's debts in Alabama will soon be paid and not pressing. Again wishes Brown had his fees in better money. [Several words missing due to seal tear, but does not affect the content of the letter.]

ALS, 3 pp.

1822 Jan. 12. Benj[amin] C. Stout, Washington Ten[nesse]e to Doct. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Doing well in every part of practice except in collecting the bills. Has not been able to add much to his library or shop and made only a few experiments. Relates a recent amputation case. Would like to apply for a charter to KA [medical fraternity] but did not know how to proceed. Doctors there from many different colleges who have not had the opportunity to be associated with that institution and would if they had the opportunity.

ALS, 2 1/2 pp.

1822 Jan. 15. Helen C. Tennent, Belmont [Va.] to Dr. S. Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Asks Brown to loan her son John money. His lands in Ohio have not yet been sold so he is short of funds. Do this in the name of their friendship.

ALS, 1 1/4 pp.

1822 Jan. 16. Richard Harlan, Phil[adelphia] to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Profusely thanks Brown for his letter reconciling their differences. Harlan explains why the misunderstanding occurred and that he never spoke of it to friends or family. Also a receipt dated Jan. 16 for receipt of \$400 from Brown, bringing total paid to \$1000 for the anatomical museum now at Transylvania University. [See Ware to Brown, 30 Dec. 1821 regarding this subject.]

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.; ANS, 1 p.

1822 Jan. 30. W[illiam] H[all] Richardson, n.p. [Lexington] to Profs. Brown, n.p. [Lexington]

Please mention to class tomorrow that all applications for graduation must be made to the Dean on or before 1 Feb. After that date all applications must have the special concurrence of the faculty.

ANS, 1 p.

1822 Feb. 15. Thomas G. Percy, Huntsville to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

His wife suffered a miscarriage and Percy Walker a severe inflammatory fever. Both are now fully recovered. Has not heard anything from Walker and his wife in Washington despite writing them frequently. Inquires if Brown and his son James will come down in the spring. Brown's cotton is all housed but not all ginned. Total comes to almost 40,000 lbs. Shipped 93 bales of very good cotton to New Orleans. Those amounted to 31,000 lbs. Hopes to get 14 or 15 cts. a lb. for this; and 13 cts. for the rest locally. Discusses Brown's business affairs further. His own financial situation is such that he probably will not be able to pay Ware anything this winter. Comments on Ware's letter to him describing his Florida explorations.

Has a notion to settle at Pensacola or north of there and raise sugar cane. These plans are not matured yet. Inquires about the rumors concerning Dr. Holley and a young lady of Lexington. It is said she is in the way "women love to be who love their lords" but not such that belongs to maidens. Also heard Holley's family has left Lexington and Holley will leave soon. All this must be a feast for the scandal lovers of Lexington.

ALS, 3 1/2 pp.

- 1822 March 1. Thomas G. Percy, Belfield [Ala.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Informs Brown of the current state of his cotton crop on the market in New Orleans with Benjamin Story. If doesn't get 15 cts. a lb. possibly ship it to New York City. Stated how he wanted the proceeds handled. Brown of course has the last word on how he wants this managed. Discusses the work available for negroes in the area and his plan to sell Preston Brown two quarter sections of his land and under what terms.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1822 March 5. J[ohn] Revere, Baltimore to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Writes on a handbill printed by E. J. Coale and Co. entitled "Magendie's Physiology." Discusses the handbill, which defends Revere's translation of Magendie's Physiology and a rebuttal to James Webster's criticism of that work. Also discusses success he has had recently with the sulphur fumigation remedy. Plans to publish an article on the remedy for the general public so they can be made aware of it. All previous articles have only been in medical journals. Give his respects to Dr. and Mrs. Caldwell.

ALS, 1 p. Printed handbill, E. J. Coale and Co., Baltimore, Feb. 1822. 2 1/2 pp.

- 1822 April 19. Forsyth Doblin and Co., Wheeling [Va.] to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky [forwarded to Washington City].

Requests payment of amount due.

ALS, 1 1/3 p.

- 1822 May 1. W. H. Richardson, Lexington to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Relates a conversation he had with Dr. Godman in Cincinnati regarding the latter becoming a professor at the Transylvania University medical school. Thinks he is an excellent prospect and advised him how to go about applying for a position. Godman had written Dr. Caldwell two years ago applying for the anatomical chair but heard nothing. Caldwell allows his personal preferences to guide his decisions. Can supply his own bodies from Cincinnati "where they can be procured with ease and in abundance." Mr. Clay told him that he heard

good things about Godman in Philadelphia. Keep subject secret until everything decided and Godman makes an announcement. Caldwell left for Philadelphia yesterday. [Minor damage due to seal tears.]

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1822 May 3. Benjamin Story, New Orleans to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Has shipped Brown's cotton to New York per Col. Percy's orders. Has advised Percy of this. Could not get 15 cts. a pound. In New York might get price you want. Knows of some cotton that sold in New York in February for 17 7/8 cents a lb. [See Percy to Brown, 1 March 1822.]

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

- 1822 July 26. T[homas] G. Percy, n.p. to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

Relates family news and health. J. W. Walker suffered a hemorrhage on the road home and now suffers from fever and congested lungs. Crops are promising despite heavy rain since the first of May. Have heard nothing on cotton in New York and does not expect to for sometime. Asks about Brown's claim that gins damage the cotton. Thinks he might get new gins for both plantations.

ALS, 2 1/3 pp.

- 1822 Aug 17. John Travers, Paterson[?] [New York] to Samuel Brown, Frankford, Pens.

Briefly discusses business. Invites Brown to visit him when he comes to New York City.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1822 Aug 21. J R. Bedford, New Orleans to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Printed handbill listing the prices North Alabama cotton brought last week; estimates of the U. S. Cotton crop in 1820 and 1821; and current New Orleans prices for cotton, spirits, wines, paints, teas, and other goods. Tobacco, like cotton, is in little demand.

Printed handbill, 2 pp.

- 1822 Aug 23. J. W. Walker, Oakland to Doctor Samuel Brown, Frankford, Pennsylvania.

Relates his present state of health, how his recovery is progressing [see Percy to Brown, 26 July 1822.]

ALS, 2 pp.

- 1822 Sept. 29, Oct. 20, Nov. 25. Thomas G. Percy, Belfield to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

On September 29 relates family news and health. On Oct. 20 writes the crops are fine but cotton will probably not exceed 8 cts. a lb. while the bagging for it will cost 50 cts. a yard. Has thought of engaging in

the manufacturing of coarse cotton for negro clothing. Believes it would be more profitable than planting. On Nov. 25 relates the health of his family. Walker has resigned from the U. S. Senate. Happy to hear Brown expects an increase in pupils. Even Kentucky money is desirable in present economic state. Crops are good but highest price is 8 cts. a lb. Received no accounts from their disastrous New York shipments. Has provided Brown's negroes with plenty of clothing. Hats, which aren't made locally, are the only thing that might have to be purchased. Will engage in clothing manufacturing if Ware joins him. What does a good carding machine cost? Supposes they are made in Lexington and would appreciate it if Brown could look into it for him. His health prevented him from making a tour of the lower country.

ALS, 6 1/4 pp.

- 1822 Oct. 10. J. R. Bedford, Mount Hope near Florence [Ala.] to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Would like to place his twelve year old daughter in a female school at Lexington. Would prefer she board with a private family rather than a boarding house. Would appreciate Brown investigating the cost and his opinion regarding the teachers and course of instruction. Methods of teaching here are too mechanical and do not have the needed books and maps. Attention for last two years has been on the pursuits of commerce. Has succeeded and intends to continue in those pursuits exclusively. New Orleans climate has greatly improved his health. Congratulations on the success and prospects of Brown's university. [Minor paper loss not affecting text.]

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

- 1822 Oct. 17. John Slavens, Mount Sterling [Ky.] to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky

Letter of introduction/recommendation for Dr. Isaac P. Simpson of Owingsville, Ky., who plans on attending the ensuing course of medical lectures.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1822 Oct. 17. B. C. Barry, Columbus [Ala.?] to Samuel Brown, Transylvania University, Ky.

Letter of introduction for R. W. Walker, who is planning to attend the course of medical lectures. Expects other young men from Monroe County to attend next session.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1822 Oct. 21. B. C. Barry, Columbus [Ala.?] to Samuel Brown, Transylvania University, Ky.

Letter of introduction/recommendation for Silas Brown who plans on attending medical lectures this winter. Hears the number of medical students increases

and hopes the school flourishes.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1822 Oct. 25. James L. Armstrong, Shelbyville to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington.

Letter of introduction/recommendation for Eppes Knight.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1822 Oct. 27. H. Gro. Doyle, Maysville [Ky.] to Samuel Brown, Lexington.

Letter of introduction for Mr. Mount who plans to attend the ensuing course of medical lectures.

ALS, 1/2 p.

- 1822 Oct. 29. Henry Miller, Jr., Glasgow [Ky.] to Samuel Brown, Lexington.

Discusses a recent medical case he had and how he treated it. [Stained in several areas affecting some words.]

ALS, 2 1/2 pp.

- 1822 Oct. 30. John Slavens, Mount Sterling [Ky.] to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Letter of introduction/recommendation for Jonathan Hathaway who plans on attending the ensuing course of medical lectures.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1822 Oct. 30. B[asil] Duke, Washington [Ky.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington.

Letter of introduction/recommendation for John Drake who visits Lexington to attend a course of medical lectures.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1822 Nov. 14. R[ene] LaRoche, Philadelphia to Dr. S. Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Declined Brown's offer to serve as the preceptor of Mr. Ewing. Mr. Ewing has consequently enlisted under a different professor. As Susan Brown's physician he can report that she is in the finest health. Discusses the need for a constitution for their medical fraternity, KA and a movement by Philadelphia KA members to become independent from the mother society in Lexington. Dr. Eberle [John Eberle, 1787-1838] has written and published the first volume of his Materia Medica. A good work but indulges in personalities and contradicts himself regarding several points of doctrine. Medical class there is the largest in several years. Probably due to students not being able to go to New York due to yellow fever there. Inquires what the prospects of success would be for a medical biography. He and a friend have thought of doing one.

ALS, 2 1/2 pp.

- 1822 Dec. 2. Anonymous, [Baltimore, Md.] to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.
A printed handbill entitled "Prospectus of a work to be styled the Baltimore Philosophical Journal and Review; and edited by John B. Davidge, A. M. M. D. and professor of anatomy in the University of Maryland." [Possibly sent to Brown by J. Revere or John Davidge.]
Printed handbill, 1 1/2 pp.
- 1822 Dec. 27. Thomas G. Percy, Madison County [Ala.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.
Letter of introduction /recommendation for Col. Calvin Morgan, son of Luther Morgan of Huntsville. He is in Lexington on some "delicate affairs."
ALS, 1 p.
- 1822 Dec. 29. R[ene] LaRoche, Philadelphia to Doctor. S. Brown, Lexington, Ky.
Thanks him for his compliments. Pleased to learn how well Transylvania medical school doing and believes it will be the finest in the union in a short time because of some of the professors teaching there. Near 500 students are at University of Pennsylvania medical school. Two professors do work at the alms house. The alms house, students, and professors all benefit from this arrangement. Discusses medical school news further. Thinking of forming a debating society and states why.
ALS, 3 pp.
- 1823 Jan. 3. Fred Brinn[?], Philadelphia to Professor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.
Relates medical news from Philadelphia, particularly regarding medications. Medical school doing very well, 473 have matriculated and the third course students bring the number to 500. Started his own practice about a month ago.
ALS, 2 pp.
- 1823 Jan. 18. Nath[aniel] Gor[?], New Orleans to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.
Discusses the current business climate and district.
ALS, 3 pp.
- 1823 Jan. [Anonymous], Cincinnati to the Trustees and Faculty of the medical department of Transylvania University, [care of] Doctor Brown, Lexington, Ky.
Relates problems being experienced by the medical college of Ohio stemming from differences between the thirteen trustees and the professors/students. If Doctor Smith leaves the school he may teach at Transylvania. The students are pledged to follow him.
AL, 1 1/2 pp.

1823 Feb. 16. Augustus Davis [Lexington, Ky.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Present [Lexington, Ky.]

Circumstances force him to leave prematurely. Thanks Brown profusely for his medical services and friendship.

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

1823 Feb. 22. H[enry] Miller, Cincinnati to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Has come to Cincinnati seeking professional information. Found the anatomical professor unsocial and uncommunicative because he had nothing to communicate. The recent actions of the Medical College of Ohio's board of trustees has caused astonishment and indignation among those Cincinnati citizens interested in the institution. Legislature of Kentucky could not have selected better men to advance the interests of Transylvania's medical school. Dr. Drake refused to accept their first act and they have since attempted to mortify his pride. This is the only way that the naming by the trustees of Dr. Moorhead to Drake's chair can be explained. Moorhead untalented. Drake gave him a solid caning recently and since he is unlikely to collect damages in court the trustees expressed their compassion for him and gained revenge on Drake, by naming Moorhead to this "comfortable berth." Pleases Drake because he is or soon will be attached to a rival institution [Transylvania University]. He and Drake were disappointed to learn that the election of new faculty was postponed until April. Could Brown use his influence to move the election up? Has been very impressed with Drake in the short time he has known him. Physicians must work together and cultivate liberal and fraternal feelings among the members of the medical profession. Starts for Philadelphia day after tomorrow.

ALS, 2 1/2 pp.

1823 March 27. Anthony Hunn, Harrodsburg [Ky.] to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington.

Discusses the state of medical knowledge and practice. Relates several theories and cures he has found successful. So successful during recent cold plague that the other physicians became very envious and helped cause him to give up the practice of medicine. Discusses typhus and its different or mistaken appearances and treatments. Informs Brown of other medical news in Danville and Harrodsburg. On Brown's exertions the fate of "our Western Athens" depends. If the doctors of Lexington should fail it would be the "lasting triumph of Negro doctors, Indians & Quacks of every description." Intends to send one of his sons to Brown to "drink wisdom from your lips." Thanks him for exertions on behalf of his crippled negro.

ALS, 4 pp.

- 1823 April 21. J[ohn] Eberle, Philad[elphia] to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky [forwarded to] Philadelphia. Discusses Brown's theory regarding the operation called lithotomy and the belief by himself and Dr. McClellan that it is superior to other methods and should prove quite successful. Will do an article in the next Recorder about this procedure. Writing several dissertations on fever-may publish them separately. [Seal tear not affecting text.]
ALS, 2 pp.
- 1823 May 8. Thomas G. Percy, Huntsville to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia. Apprehends that Brown's difficulty in changing his money might have left him short of funds. Not able to offer him any relief. Cotton crops promising but the weather is variable and still a chance of frost. Millet seed has not arrived and does not expect it. Had looked forward to testing its value. Family has been plagued by agues for past year. If Brown goes to France he is going to a country about to engage in war. If England enters it he might have difficulty leaving. Hopes Ware will not take his children; concerned for them. Wishes Ware would settle down. Thinks Mary should quit school and would be pleased to have her come live with his family.
ALS, 3 pp.
- 1823 June 7. H[enry] Miller, Baltimore [Md.] to Doctor Sam Brown, Philadelphia. Will forego Brown's suggestion of a pedestrian tour. Afraid his rheumatism in his knees will return. Therefore will leave Baltimore by stage in a day or two. Very pleased with the medical faculty at Baltimore. Dined and visited with Dr. Pattison yesterday. Sorry spent so much time in Philadelphia that cannot spend more here. Relates other activities and attractions in Baltimore. Comments on Dr. Godman and his differences with him. Comments on the status of the KA Society there. Hopes to induce the Ky. legislature to incorporate a medical and Chirurgical Faculty like that of Maryland's. Will bring copies of its act of incorporation back to be distributed. [One seal tear minorly affecting three words.]
ALS, 3 pp.
- 1823 July 8. Thomas G. Percy, n.p. to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia. Relates his family's health and the threat of whooping cough and measles. Happy to hear he visits the school girls every day. Inquires what the girls are doing and planning. Crops are good and prospects for prices improving. Twenty bales of last crop sold for 14 cts. in New York. His own sold for more because considered superior due to the gin used. Getting Brown

a very superior gin made. Millet seed finally came and sowed it in corner of his own orchard to raise seed for next year; Brown's land being all occupied. Has good field of red clover and thinks this country will be very favorable for it.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1823 Sept. 22. H[enry] Miller, Lexington to Doctor Samuel Brown, Philadelphia.

The trustees of Transylvania have attached Clinical Medicine to the Institutes. All argue this will incur Brown's displeasure and some believe he will resign. Initially thought Caldwell and Dudley had it done to supercede Brown but now thinks Caldwell had it done to inflate his title, which he must affix to his late publication "Outline of a course of Lectures." Hopes Brown will treat the affair as a whim of Dr. Vanity and ignore it. If dissatisfied have only to express it and believes class will force trustees to rescind the order. He has resigned, the reasons for it Brown will learn upon his return.

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

- 1823 Oct. 5. B. F. Gray, Russellville, Al. to Dr. Sam Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Letter of introduction/recommendation for a Mr. Clarke who goes to Lexington to attend the medical lectures.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1823 Oct. 7. David Holmes, Washington, Miss. to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Letter of introduction/recommendation for J. W. Monett who plans on attending medical lectures.
[Portions of text missing due to rodent damage.]

ALS, 1 p.

- 1823 Oct. 19. B. G. Farrar, St. Louis to Sam. Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Letter of introduction/recommendation for a Mr. Wherry who goes to Lexington to attend the medical school.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1823 Oct. 20. Jno. Lewis Wynne, Lebanon, Tenn to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Letter of introduction/recommendation for Robert C. Holland who plans on attending the medical class of Transylvania. Wynne himself hopes to visit Lexington the first of November and would appreciate being introduced to Doctors Richardson and Blythe.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1823 Oct. 20. William Rogers, Spartanburg to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.
Letter of introduction/recommendation for A. B. Crook who plans on attending the medical lectures. Would like him to become a member of the K. L. Society of Hypocrates.
ALS, 1 p.
- 1823 Oct. 22. P. LeGrand, n.p. to Doctor Samuel Brown, Transylvania University, Kentucky.
Letter of introduction for his son John who is there to attend the medical lectures of the approaching season.
ALS, 1/2 p.
- 1823 Oct. 23. Samuel Hogg, Lebanon, Tenn. to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.
Letter of introduction/recommendation for Lunsford P. Yandell, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Bass who plan on attending the medical lectures. The former is the son of his esteemed friend Dr. Wilson Yandell.
ALS, 1 p.
- 1823 Oct. 23. J[ohn] M. Briggs, Bowling Green [Ky.] to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.
Letter of introduction/recommendation for Joseph W. Barclay who plans on attending the medical lectures. Hopes he will be initiated into the KA society. Briggs himself plans to visit Lexington this winter and will tell Brown about the diseases in his part of the state.
ALS, 2 pp.
- 1823 Oct. 27. John Eamiston, Chillicothe to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.
Letter of introduction/recommendation for William Johnson who plans on attending a course of medical lectures.
ALS, 1 p.
- 1823 Oct. 28. Samuel T. Crews, Centreville, Indiana to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.
Letter of introduction/recommendation for James Mendenhall who plans on attending the medical school. Has previously attended the Cincinnati school [Medical College of Ohio] for a year.
ALS, 1 p.
- 1823 Oct. 29. John Slavens, Mt. Sterling [Ky.] to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.
Letter of introduction/recommendation for Joshua Barny who plans on attending the ensuing course of medical lectures.
ALS, 1 p.

- 1823 Oct. 31. Thomas G. Percy, n.p. to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.
 Relates his family's health. Charles recovering from the measles. This disease has gone through both plantations. Brown's negroes had it at a favorable time, in July and August. Many of his got it in September and October which deprived him of having about 30,000 lbs. of cotton picked. Lost Congo, one of his best cotton pickers, due to dysentery believed occasioned by measles. Both their crops will be short due to a sudden drought and a species of caterpillars towards the end of summer. Brown's idea of packing in scotch bagging not practical because none can be gotten and does not matter anyway. It is "sold as Tennessee cotton and the merchants will not sell it as any thing else." Fears they well be disappointed in the cotton cleaners described to Brown. Tired of his vocation and solitude. His boys need education and he often thinks of changing his pursuits and country.
 ALS, 3 pp.
- 1823 Nov. 17. Jno. P. Declary, Brunerstown, Jefferson Cy. Ky. to Professor Brown, Lexington, Ky.
 Reports on three "singular" cases he has had since April, describing the symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment in detail. Have been severely afflicted in the country with bilious fever this summer - Louisville escaped it. He has attended about 100 cases, all successfully, when called from the beginning. Attributes his success to the lancet and free use of calomel. The stomach is too irritable for so stimulating a drug as tartar. Summoned to Col. Anderson's and must close. [Interior margin damage affecting a few words.]
 ALS, 2 1/2 pp.
- 1823 Nov. 25. A junior member of the Class, Lexington to Samuel Brown, Present [Lexington]
 Requests him to repeat a part of his lecture from yesterday on fevers.
 ALS, 1/2 p.
- 1823 Dec. 1. Nath[aniel] A. Ware, Philadelphia to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.
 Publication of Good's book delayed due to enlarging the edition. Small pox is in the city. Those who have been vaccinated have gotten a milder case than those who haven't been. Plans still unsettled. If Brown permanently settled they could set up housekeeping together and hire someone to run the house and take care of the children. One of them could stay in town while the other traveled. The storm has injured the crops in the lower country by one-half so his payment will be short from that area. This may prevent a trip to France for the present. How does Kentucky's currency, laws, and the administrators of them fare. How is Clay's

health. Calhoun is looking up. Crawford is "gone" in New York and Calhoun will get it. Thinks "Adams has no chance: you could not ram him down the throats of the Dem[ocrats] of this state and N. York."

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

- 1823 Dec. 8. R[ene] LaRoche, Philada. to Dr. S. Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Happy to hear medical class promises to be large. Two hundred students in so new a school is astonishing. Proves the advantages of the establishment of a western school for the "back ward" students and the talents of the professors. There are about 400 students reported to be in the Philadelphia medical school. The small pox is raging in the city and is quite fatal for those who have not been vaccinated or previously had small pox. Has the same appearance as it did in Baltimore a year ago and in Edinburgh and Glasgow. Attacks those who have been vaccinated and inoculated in the varioloid form. Have revaccinated some people, including the girls at his aunt's house, particularly [Brown's daughter] Susan, to try to better protect them. A mutual friend is spending the winter in New Orleans for his health. Had planned on going to Columbia but proper passage wasn't available. Seen Ware several times. Ware has placed one of his daughters at Mrs. Sigoigne's [where Susan is; his aunt's?]. Good's work not yet out. Briefly mentions other medical literary news.

ALS, 3 1/2 pp.

- 1823 Dec. 10. P. W. Davis, n.p. to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington.

Describes his treatment for ague and fever. Has proved successful. The kettle tenders and others much around the fires at the salt works and women who worked over cooking fires seem exempt from ague and fever. Not one-fifth as many cases of intermittent [fever] this year as in 1821 and 1822.

ALS, 2 pp.

- 1823 Dec. 15. Franklin Bache, Philadelphia to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Learns by the papers that Brown's brother James is named Minister to France. If proper would Brown recommend his brother Richard Bache for any situation with the legation. Relates his brother's career in the military and travels to Columbia.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1823 Dec. 17. Thomas G. Percy, Belfield to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Brown's negroes are comfortably clad and well fed. Clothed in home spun linsey. Winter mild so far and work goes well. Brown's crop almost housed and due to the weather, his new and excellent gin, and a good

dusting machine the cotton will be uncommonly good. Will ship it to New York if can't sell it for good price here. Price fallen from 12 1/2 cts. to 10 or 10 1/2 cts. Planters holding out for better prices. Price might rise to 12 or 12 1/2, even 14 or 15 if receive encouraging reports from abroad. Doubts the latter. Has 70 bales of his [Brown's] and about same number of his own at the river [ready to be shipped]. Merchants here afraid to buy part of a crop when the first has been shipped. Pleased to hear he will visit them in the spring. Has Preston [Brown] given up his projected move to this country?

ALS, 2 1/2 pp.

- 1823 Dec. 27. Nath[aniel] A. Ware. Phil. to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

What will he do this summer? Will brother's appointment affect his movements? Medical class here not as large as last year but a 60 student rise in Baltimore. Jackson's presidential prospects are rising. Believes the prudent will unite behind Calhoun in the end to keep out Jackson and Crawford - "violence and Radicalism as they term them." Philadelphia is dull this winter. President's Message goes down well everywhere, even with the Federalists. Said that some sort of understanding between the U. S. and England is the basis for the Message's strong expressions regarding South America. Doesn't anticipate any trouble on the subject with any European powers.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1824 Jan. 1. R[ene] LaRoche, Philada. to Dr. S. Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Happy New Year. Nothing new has transpired in the medical community. Small pox continues among poorer classes and is still the talk of the town. Discusses it further. Has seen James Brown twice. His health has apparently improved and the climate of France and the mineral waters should restore his painful limb. His selection [as Minister to France] is an excellent one and meets with universal approval. Good's work is out. Ware will send him two volumes by mail. Overall a good work. Comments on medical journals in the city. Thinks the KA Journal will cease due to lack of Society interest. Susan and her cousin are well. [Seal tear affects several words]

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1824 Jan. 4. Nath[aniel] A. Ware. Phil. to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Got Good's book. Sending two of the heaviest volumes by someone going to Maysville. The other three volumes which are the most important for Brown's lectures were sent by mail. James Brown still in town.

ALS, 1 p.

1824 Jan. 17. Coleman Rogers, Louisville to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Please send some fresh vaccine matter. The town has been healthy since September. Due to the steamboats generally being in lower trade there is little doing and little bustle in the streets. Have a small medical club. Meets once a week and they talk for three or four hours, disperse, and might have little or no contact until the next meeting. His practice is mostly limited to the town and not very extensive. Too many physicians in town for all to make a living at the profession. Relates a case he had regarding an ankle injury. Asks what is new in medical publications and developments. Cut off from news. Inquires about reported differences between Brown and Dr. Caldwell.

ALS, 3 pp.

1824 Jan. 18. B. H. Couter, Philada. to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kenty.

Discusses the current atmosphere and attitudes between the U. S., Britain, France, and Germany regarding each other's medical literature, theories, and developments. Makes observations on a fee bill their society is drafting and medical fees in general. [Seal tear affects several words.]

ALS, 3 1/2 pp.

1824 Jan. 21. John L. Wynne, Lebanon, Tennee. to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Thanks him for the pamphlet on the experiments of Drs. Lawrence and Coates. Had hoped to report to him by now the results of his "venous absorption" experiments. Hopes to visit Lexington the first of February and will report them then. Fondly remembers his alma mater and his friends, men and women, the "widow" and Miss Hart of Woodford Co. Saw Brown's niece Henrietta Brown in Nashville the other day. Remember him to Hall and Gillespie. His partner Dr. Hogg and himself are anxious to try the new operation for stones.

ALS, 3 pp.

1824 Feb. 13. R[ene] LaRoche. Philada. to Doctor S. Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Nothing interesting happening in the city, medically and otherwise. Their KA not doing as well as its more zealous members had hoped. Professional jealousies causing some problems but optimistic of the society's success. Relates further news regarding the Philadelphia KA society and the chapters in New York and Baltimore. City still suffering from small pox and now typhus fever. Especially "severe among the poor and paupers of the alms house." Only one mild case of small pox among the other classes of society. Typhus fever bad among the poor due to their living conditions. When take that into consideration the mortality rate for the

city is not bad. An Italian naturalist who came over with Prince Canino is in Phila. He is very interesting and well informed. Dr. Gibson has published two volumes on the institutes of surgery. They are to serve as a text book for his lectures. Finds Good's book as well as the new medical dictionary published in Paris very good. Susan and her cousin are well. [Seal tear affects several words.]

ALS, 3 1/2 pp.

- 1824 March 8. James Foster, Clarksvill[e], Tennessee to Doctor Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Due to his friend going down the Mississippi on an "expedition of speculation" he is compelled to delay paying the money he owes Brown. Will pay it to Dr. Thomas Fearn of Huntsville, Ala. as soon as his friend returns.

ALS, 1 p.

- 1824 June 20. J. P. Thomas, Laurel Hill, E. Feliciana Parish, State of Loa. [Louisiana] to Samuel Brown, Philada. Pennsylvania.

Still has Brown's note to Dr. R. W. Walker. The latter states he paid Brown \$30 in March. Awaits a further order from Brown regarding the matter. Contrary to what he heard in Lexington, Walker has married into a respectable family and is establishing a good practice. Times are difficult. Weather has been very dry, which has put the farmers in low spirits. He has settled between Woodville and St. Francisville with Dr. Orr. Remarkably sick summer and cases of diseases have generally proved fatal. The young graduates from Transylvania are "flocking" to the area to "reap the harvest arising from their exertions for the relief of suffering humanity." Every position is well filled.

ALS, 2 pp.

- 1824 Aug. 1. Dan. Drake, Cincinnati to Dr. Brown, n.p.

Shall lecture to Brown's class during his absence. Rumor abroad in Ky. that he will not return in time for the winter courses. Drake has stated he will. Brown's failure to return might injure them next winter. Caldwell returned July 8 from Nashville where he delivered a short course on phrenology. He is now teaching a class of about twelve pupils on theory and practice. President Holley went eastward after commencement. Expected that Mr. Best will be appointed assistant to Dr. Blythe. Three medical schools have been organized within the district from which they draw pupils. They are at Charleston, Nashville, and Cincinnati. The new professor of physic at Transylvania is Dr. Cobb from Maine, he is said to be 26. Delighted to hear of the success of the medical society. Requests Brown to purchase any new and valuable medical books in

several areas that might have been published. Was told that Dr. Humphries is quite restored.

ALS, 4 pp.

- 1824 Sept. 28. F[rancois] Andre Michaux, Paris, [France] to Doctor S. Brown, Havre, [France]. [In French.]

Sending Brown a small packet of scientific journals for the American Philosophical Society. Wishes him a safe passage. Will try to help their friend Mentelle. [Address leaf to Brown, Phila. 1 May, 16 June 1824; forwarded by R. P. Beasley, Havre, France-possibly related to Michaux's letter.]

ALS, 1 p.

- 1824 Dec. 9. Stephen Whicher, Jr. Lexington, n.p. to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Discusses a proposal for a masonic hospital on the Mississippi. Asks Brown's advice on the subject.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1825 Jan. 26. John McKee, Washington City to Doctor Samuel Brown, n.p.

Laments with Brown the deplorable state of legislation in Kentucky and wishes the friends of order and good government could look forward to a speedy change. Wonders what Kentuckians will say when learn Clay who pledged to prove Adams was unfriendly to the interests of the Western Country at Ghent now supports Adams' presidential claims, and that most of the Kentucky Representatives are with him. Does not think Adams will be president but that is only his wish.

ALS, 1 1/4 pp.

- 1825 Jan. 27. N[athaniel] A. Ware, Philadelphia to Dr. Samuel Brown, Lexington, Kentucky.

Mentions Dr. Buchanan's steam engine. Comments on the political situation in Kentucky regarding the old court, new court controversy. Believed that Clay is furthering Adams' election as president. He is sure Jackson will win. The resolutions of the Kentucky legislature instructing Kentucky's delegates to vote for Jackson made Clay sick for a day or two. Comments on recent medical news, especially Dr. Physick's recent failure and a new development in surgical instruments for kidney and bladder operations. The winter has been very mild--the Delaware River is still open. Relates the health of himself, Brown's brother James, and Brown's children, James and Susan. Everyone "agog" over the idea of a canal from the Susquehanna River to Pittsburgh.

ALS, 3 pp.

- 1825 Feb. 24. L. Munsell, Frankfort [Ky.] to Doctor S. Brown, Lexington.

Sends Brown the original drafts of the translated report. Revise them as needed. Unable to visit Lexington to talk to Brown due to Mr. Sneed's absence. Inclined to

believe that Dudley begins to think that "Othello's
occupation's gone!"

ALS, 1 1/2 pp.

No year July 18. Thomas G. Percy, Belfield to Doctor Samuel
Brown, Philadelphia.

Relates family news. Cotton not selling. The cotton
and corn crops are looking very good. Their negroes have
entirely escaped the summer fevers. A few have been sick
and one died due to the ignorance of the mother. He has
hired a man to make Brown's gin and works and engaged his
screw. A bill has been introduced in the Tennessee
legislature to establish a loan office and issue \$500,000 in
treasury notes. Brown's mineral specimens of that country
will probably be sent next winter.

ALS, 3 pp.

No year Sept. 11 [1818]. M. Hammond, Throgmorton to Samuel Brown,
Huntsville, Alabama Territory.

Mrs. Hammond recommends a Mrs. Swift as governess for
Brown's daughter Susan. Relates information about her.
[Seal tear affects several words.]

ALS, 3 1/2 pp.

No year Oct. 15. Jno. S. Henry, n.p. [Philadelphia] to Dr. Brown,
n.p. [Philadelphia].

Invites Brown to the bank dinner.

ALS, 1 p.

No year Nov. 2. Alvin W. Bills, North Middletown [n.p.] to Samuel
Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Letter of introduction for James H. Buel who plans on
attending a course of medical lectures.

ALS, 2/3 p.

No date. S. B. [Samuel Brown?], n.p. to Sir, n.p.

Discusses a difference or misunderstanding between the
two men, going back to their division of the medical library
[of Transylvania?]. Certainly meant him no injury by
anything he might have said.

AL, 2 1/3 pp.

No date. Arthur Stewart, n.p. [Wheeling, Va.?] to Doctor Brown,
Lexington, Kentucky.

Letter of introduction for his son, Ewing J. Stewart,
who goes to study at Brown's medical institution.

ALS, 1 p.

No date. J. L., n.p. [Lexington] to Samuel Brown, Lexington, Ky.

Reports on two cases he handled concerning negro
brothers aged eight and six. Describes the symptoms,
treatment, and results.

AL, 1 1/4 pp.

No date. A Medical Student, n.p. [Lexington] to Doctor S. Brown,
n.p. [Lexington].
Paper describing what causes fever and its symptoms.
ALS, 3 pp.