The doubts I had some motive for writing it, but what that motive may have been, I am unable to conjecture. I consider it in the light of a great favor, and shall remember his advice with peculiar pleasure.

Please give my love to Brother Charles and Brother William and believe me to be your affectionate son.

Johnston Petigru

March 12, 47

Extract from an answer to the above letter.

My dear Sir,

The honor of my letters to you of late has been entirely caused by that of yours to me as well as your course towards mine at Habersham, the frequent occasion for me I am not willing to write one, it would be too much pleasure to me, and it would be unnecessary to you as I am satisfied you consider them. No partial view can be warmer more affectionately disposed towards his chalmer than I have been some now, but it seems as in a manner my own feelings. I am forced upon myself when I see in your letters, the terrible, desolating, desolation of a country, so near to you, and to those to whom they are going to me. Now it is the least of my wishes to act in the reserve to my chalmer, it is true to say, it seems to my self, but I cannot see when I write there should be the manner sufficient for the least measure of his chalmer, who has devoted his whole life to their interest I consider the gratification at most honorable sacrifices to be made. I am come to the conclusion that if my chalmer who conducted them here in a manner

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