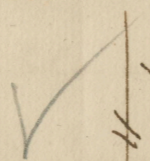


Edgehill Albemarle May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1804

Your kind attentions, my beloved friend, have long proved an anodyne to my afflictions. Let me entreat you to write immediately if it be only one line to inform me how you all are - I am stationary for the summer, probably, at least I do not expect to revisit the lower country until autumn unless Judy expresses a wish for my return - in that case I should soon find myself at dear Bizarra - Oh God! if I could only be allowed to remain there in peace - my whole soul is devoted to the spot - and, with joy, would I conform to any rules by which I could possibly please the family - each member possesses an excellent heart - to the darling boys I am most tenderly attached - Virginia is at my elbow and writes in love to you - Mrs B. and Polly - mine awaits Charles also - and Beverley if he is with you - I should certainly go to Elm Grove, but my brother is without a carriage at present - A gloom, in unison with my feelings, is cast over every person here

Miss A. E. Randolph  
May 28. 1804



~~Edgehill Albemarle~~  
To  
affectionate Norfolk  
Mail

Saint George Tucker

forward



indeed, the surrounding scenery has assumed a melancholy  
aspect = Mr<sup>r</sup> Jefferson is gone - alas! how impossible will it  
be for time to remove his present cause of sorrow - Maria's  
friends were not aware of her danger until two hours before  
she expired. Her poor soul, being quite exhausted, she merely

expressed a wish to kiss her father, and sister, without  
to remember any one else - Adieu my dearest friends - my Father.

Accept my cordially affectionate salutations - Your own A. C. B.