

My husband unites with me in every kind
and respectful feeling toward you -
Virginia wrote me the other day that
she understood my boy was nature's
most perfect work - You may ^{suppose} how

My dear Sir
I do not ask any opinion from
you on the subject - but pray you to
ask yourself a few questions -
Draw the picture of a happy family
ready to serve Friends and Faes - pre-
pare them for a charming excursion -
make an appeal to their good feelings
by announcing the approach of a suf-
fering fellow creature, tender sympathy
opens their House, hearts, and purse -
every amusement is relinquished -
twelve weeks are cheerfully devoted
to this object who has neither money
nor health to move - War renders it
almost impossible to procure a male
domestic - a notorious Thief is kept to
wait on this sick gentleman - laborers
wives are hired to wash for him and
attend his chamber - His own Servant
passes his time in quarrelling with
the Overseer about horse feed, with the
women about his washing - Dunning his
employer for wages tho' he knows he
has not the means of paying postage
of letters which offer no money - and

West Ferry Jan 29

30 paid

The honorable

George Tucker

Williamsburgh Virginia

Paid

This obliges me - All a Brother's boys
Iis well know that I pity those who
experience the reverse - never met with
understanding so unkind in any no?
you see you my beloved friend
Loverly 4th A. Brown

The house is kept open till almost day
for this appendage of greatness, who sits
up at the different Farm houses to tell
how many people young M^{rs} Mandolph
fell out with at Cambridge - Larry
on this scene - Every species of tender
affectionate, active friendships accept-
ed with many thanks - following
them next to the parting moment
kissing, pressing the hand, expressing
gratitude for kindness - Let those
who have exerted every nerve to serve
go home - see the dagger drawn to
stab them thro' the back as they turn
to the heart - The storm broke out
before I was able to get washed a pile
of sheets and wrappers stained with
the discharge of Tudor's blisters -
piles of letters from M^{rs} Peyton
Mandolph came to our office - I
made one large package, paid the
postage, and sent them to M^{rs} Oliver's
care in Baltimore - To throw Tudor
from my heart was the hardest task I
ever performed - as to Judy her affliction
made me stifle the disgust she used to

excite by complaining of what every one
(except Maria heard) ate and drank in
her house - But my heart and mind
expanded with every pleasing emotion
in serving her - She can at one time
declare a thing impossible and then
say she always believed it - she can
invite a gentleman to her house - then
express indignation at his coming -

Two days before the bank note was sent
by Tudor to the Hay market I received
a letter from Judy as follows "Fanny
(the weaver) desires me to tell you that
two of your four towels are lost, I regret
this because, unable to afford myself
any but the coarsest cotton ones I can
supply their place" was this to
prepare me for believing she offered
money - at the time I was told by
M^{rs} Brett Mandolph and Pyleand
that Jack (who was in town) said
he had never felt so much for me
before -

Dear Sir

"I congratulate you and M^{rs}. M.
very cordially on the ~~joyful~~ late joyful
event which has given such an accession
to your mutual happiness and I beg
of you both to accept my earnest wishes
for her speedy and perfect recovery

I am with high respect Dear
Sir Y^r obedient servant

John Randolph of Roanoke

George Town Feb 14th. 1813

"I return to New York today, I wish to know
"further from you respecting Tudor. M^r. Morris
"is of opinion that he (and you also) ought
"to remain here for the winter. I confess
"his arguments are unanswerable. If you
"determine to go Southward, every day is
"precious. I send you some money, send
"me a pen and ink and I will return you
"a check on the Mechanic's bank of
"New York" — Jack demanded this
note from Judy and put it in my
husband's hand to prove she told
a falsehood — we have the original
which he wrote with a pencil —

"From M^r - Randolph to M^r - Morris the day
before M^r - Randolph went to Town
" assured I shall never cease while
I live to express a grateful sense of
your generous kindness to my poor boy
his mother, and myself; and that my
best wishes attend you and all who
are dear to you

most respectfully and
affectionately yours

John Randolph
of Roanoke

M^r - M^r - From Roanoke August 1814
" If I can possibly effect it I will
" have the pleasure to see you at
" Morrisania in the course of this month
" Tuda must not pass the Hud.
" son till after Frost sets in
" My best wishes to M^r - Morris I am
Dear Sir Your obliged servant
J. Randolph of Roanoke