

in the mechanic's bank and demanded specie - on being refused he made a speech between three and four hours long - those persons who were in the bank turned from him with contempt - and let him go on without notice - he is advertized in the Eastern papers as a "Stray Colt that ought to be tied to a stable till his owner comes for him" - He called the New York people pick pockets etc - but - the number who lost by my husband's marrying and having a son - make a formidable host against me - they do all they can to make others believe that I have poisoned - strangled had amours with blacks - and all the horrid things that Iack so often repeated to them - my beloved friend - had I picked up a romance unexpectedly, containing an acc^t of such crimes - it would have made me shudder -

It would delight as for you your family & M^r. C. to make this house your home (by right) till the war is over - I enclose you wife some of my baby's hair - yours most tenderly and Truly A. C. Morris

I was seated, dear Sir, to proceed in my narrative, when the arrival of a letter from brother William took me off to promise both him and my brother Colonel Randolph not to join ⁱⁿ the present law suit against them as executors of my Father - God forbid I should distress them - we knew nothing of the suit until William ~~informed~~ ^{informed} me my husband's name and mine were used - your second son in law and myself were engaged when I was fourteen - finding my Father's opposition increase after his marriage - and that it became difficult for me to avoid being united to a man whom I disliked - we determined to confide only in Dick's friendship - to appear indifferent to each other for a time - but - to let no person get it out of my power to marry him - My Father had once been so positive in pointing ^{out the man} whom he said I ought to marry - I shuddered at giving my hand without my heart - we determined if he again urged the connection so hostile to my happiness that we would kneel for his forgiveness - and convince him that we must be united - Death prevented this

Dick knew my sufferings for many long years - I acted
as he directed - rejoiced (after unutterable woes) at length
to find myself placed by Providence in a situation
to shew my natural qualities - I became happy in
the discharge of every domestic Duty - my dear Hus-
band never could prevail on me to attend the Theatre
even once, when Cook and Cooper were delighting all
around us - In domestic harmony Tudor found
me - he heard me often utter gratitude to God for
it - Amid my maddening sufferings and perseu-
sions at the Hay market - I wrote a note to Billy Ellis
because he was honest - to have my Trunk sent to
Randolph Harrison's by some waggon which might
be passing from Farmville - he did so and Mr. H. S
Boatman delivered ^{it} to me - I knew some body must
read the note for Billy as he never learned his let-
ters even - Mr. Judy Randolph in 1811 wrote to recommend
Billy Ellis's family to Mr. In. and myself - I agreed
to take him - Cook John and their families -
Billy got the Farmville post master to write me a

note to request that I would advance money for him to
come and see the place - saying - if he liked it perhaps
he might move his family - reminding me that I owed him
something for his trouble about the Trunk - I answered
the poor negro's note - supposing the man who wrote
his note would read mine - at that time we had
no very small bank notes in this State - I deemed
the trouble about the Trunk not very great - did
not choose to advance passage money for one who
was not certain of staying to serve - therefore
declined sending him any money at all - I never
more thought of the subject - for a Cook was
what I most wanted -

If Judy had not told Jack (what
she certainly never thought) that I poisoned Dick
if Tudor had not invented so horrid a falsehood
about my treatment of Souverneur - and this
detestable Calumny about Billy - it would have
been better for them hereafter - Some persons now
say in New York that Jack is a mad man - he went