

Tusculum
Montgomery County

Loving Sister

By this opportunity, I have the pleasure of informing you of my present situation with which I am very much pleased. I now live at Mr. Hunts where I am treated like a king. I think this place is equal if not preferable to Mr. Loves. Patrick Magruder and his brother George have left school and gone to college, two of the greatest plagues that ever infested the school and the most conceited and degrading boys in the neighborhood. I am now happy and trust no one to disturb me; no more to confound my brains in time of study. I hear that the Indians have did great mischief in the neighborhood in which you live and if it is the [?] you will return again to Maryland to where I shall have the pleasure of seeing you again. I hope we shall not always live at a great distance from one another as we do now. If it is the case, I am sure I shall scarcely restrain from running away. [p2]

I am very sorry you did not write as it is so seldom you can get an opportunity of writing. I hope you will write by way of opportunity if it is only three or four lines mentioning how Mr Carnes Family are and all the people that were my acquaintances formerly in Maryland. Mrs. Hunt desired to be remembered to you. No more at present from you most affectionate Brother

[signed]William Wirt
August 15, 1786

NB Please to give my compliments to Mr. Carnes.