

Keeps traces near Kechi, May 13th / 63

My dear sir,

I am very much disappointed at not seeing you when you were in Mansfield. I reached town even after you left I am with my negroes on my way to Texas, will go into the subject portions of the state. Somewhere near Dallas^{or} in that neighborhood. I will let you know as soon as I get settled. I wanted to see you about David's negroes. I was afraid Mr. ~~David~~ plan is an unwise one. He is going to return home, and leave the negroes in strange hands. If the ~~thing~~ ^{thing} ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~done~~ ^{done} there will be no one to ~~manage~~ ^{manage} ~~them~~ ^{them}, and David runs the risk of losing them all. They are as good as discontented at being hired out in different places. They are anxious to go on to Texas altogether. I fear it is an unwise ~~idea~~ ^{idea}. When you go to Mansfield you had better ~~inquire~~ ^{inquire} particularly about the matter. I left Kechi ^{near} Mansfield at Mr. Glassell's, very undetermined what to do. but I think he will follow us to the exact country in a few days. I shall have remained in as

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Mr. Mansfield, has sent for me occupations
for my negro, with which I expect take his
mother's negroes on to Texas, but Coffett also
starts with his in a few days. The family
will remain for the present at Mansfield.
I am sorry we can not pass near
Mansfield. We will go from here to
Marshall. Mrs. Brewster is travelling with
us, she has her negroes with her. I have
heard nothing from below.
Yours most truly
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P.S. Please present my best regards to
my friend Mr. Wrightman

W. S. Adams
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