do when you write to cousin Louisa again give her my very best love, and all the assurance that I am the same cousin John. — You were disappointed in seeing uncle Thomas and Walter this winter; what are the plans, in regard to sending him to school, at this time.

Waightstill Spent the vacation in Raleigh, and had all the satisfaction of being at all of the wedding parties, of Miss Ann Iredells and at the wedding too — Moulton Spent a few days in Raleigh — and the rest of his vacation he Stayed here. If they knew that I was writing to you they would probably send you some word.

Well I have not given my excuse for not answering your letter ~~so sooner~~ before this time — but just let me inform you that it is 12 O.C. at night, and I think your generous disposition will forgive me, without putting me to the trouble, at this late hour, of trying to invent one. But seriously cousin Ann, I intended writing to you immediately after I arrived, but, for more than a week, I was unfit for writing letters, or engaging in any such mental exercise.

I hope to hear from you shortly, and that you are well, your affectionate cousin

John F. Jones

Miss Mary Ann Lenoir

N. B. My best respects to Miss Charlotte and Miss Louisa.

J. F. J.

Miss M. A. L.

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