Executive Department
Milledgeville April 5th 1858

Dear Mother

I write to inform you that the two hams, Eggs, butter, Potatoes, & peas. which you were kind enough to send us came safely to hand. Please accept our thanks for your Kindness, for we are very much obliged. We are all in tolerably good health, Emma has got able to sit up but not able to do any thing. The babe has no name yet he is a fine fat boy, and is pretty bad spoilt. He expects me to take him as soon as I come in. Our horses got here safe, and we now have a good carriage and horses. We went out Saturday to Col. Campbells two miles from the City and stayed for dinner. We took supper some nights since at the Fort. I have purchased a Cow and we now get some milk, but not enough to make much butter. I spoke to Mr Sims to have some line sent to Acworth I supposed it would get there time for Sims to bring it up. When he went down with the Corn. I suppose it got there. I hope it may all be

ready so that the persons who may come
down to fix the Graves may not be
detained at our expense. I hope to
well all be done in good style
the weather is now fine here. The
Spring Seems to have set in severe
in good earnest. I hope there may
be no frost to kill the fruit or
the Wheat. I hope you will write
as often. We are always glad to hear
from you. Julius & Mary are
going to School and learning
well. Joe is well, Frank is about
as he has been for some time.
Little Bud did not take the
measles all the others have had
it. Wife and all the Children send
love to you & Cousin Scott
who has two Turkeys laying - Have
hens with Young Chickens and I
dont know how many more are
setting. I supposed it best to put
them in the law. Give you all

the particulars When she writes
We have the finest mustard bed
in the city with plenty of lettice,
Wife has been dividing with her
neighbors. We occasionally have shad
they get them out of the River about
a mile from here. Our Onion look
pretty well, we have a fine bed of
Onions, and very nice beets and
parsnips Coming on We have
planted one square in the Garden in
Corn & Beans, have 4 rows of bush
beans up and had them hoed
Today. We have pretty White Clover
in the Yard for our Cow to eat
and she has a very nice heifer calf.
The Lowry Stops Famous fine of wife's
hens have died lately. Don't exactly
Know What was the matter. I believe
This is about all the home News.
Wife will Send you particulars When
she writes. She says the letter cutter takes
the edge off of her neat letters.

Affectionately Your Son
Joseph E Brown.

P.S. We have set out some early Cabbage the 2nd Inst. Peas coming up thick, and two Rows have been Stuck some three weeks. Wife is thinking to kill the Old Shanghai Rooster. She thinks he is too large We have a Pullet large enough to begin to eat I believe I have told all I can recollect at present. Wife will I suppose write you the rest Soon Write us all the News.

J E B.