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Macomb Dec 4th 1857

Dear Howell

The bearer Mr Freeman
furnishes the cake, fruits &c for the Sevee.

Would it not be best to let Howell
understand that Mr Freeman has sole
charge of the arranging the cake table?

I suggest this as Howell may feel
that he has charge of the cake doing
well as the meats & so produce a
collision.

Mr Freeman will require a room
in the basement to prepare his pyramids
of grapes & oranges, & to ice his cakes.

With reference to Music
if you wish it from here, let me know
as soon as possible. I can get a band of
five instruments, viz 2 violins, 1 bass viol
1 clarinet & 1 tambourine for \$60 (sixty
dollars) — If a suitable band can be
had in Nittidgenille it can be got
for much less of course. The question is
can a good one be got at all there?

Yours truly
John B. Larnard

P.S. I feel very anxious to hear ~~how~~

Sister & the baby come on. Please write
me every day how they are, if you
have time. If you have not time, get
some of the family to write, if its only
~~two~~ lines.

I sold 196 bales pure cotton &
184 bales mixed to day at 7 cents, & will
send the \$1000 over as soon as returns
are made of proceeds.